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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

DR. RANSOM SAYS NEGRO IS VALUABLE ASSET

BIG MEETING AT COMMERCIAL COUNCIL

Conference of A. M. E. Church Boards—Call on President Taft—Reimbursement for the Freedmen's Bank Depositors.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 27.—Dr. Reverdy C. Ransom, one of the most noted orators and economists of the A. M. E. church, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, New York City, was greeted by a large audience Tuesday evening at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, and his address on "The Negro as a National Business Asset" was a well-conceived effort. Eschewing the flowery platitudes of laudation in many instances, the speaker gave his hearers some plain talk on the shortcomings of the race in business, and admonished them to utilize their golden opportunities to strengthen themselves in the arena of music, literature, art, theology and politics. While much creditable work had been done, we must not lull ourselves to sleep over the labors of the few pioneers who had lifted themselves by sturdy application above the race average, was the view the eloquent New Yorker took of our situation. The Tanners and Edmonia Lewises in art, Clarence Whites, Coleridge Taylors and Joseph H. Douglasses in music, the Dunbars, Chesnutts and Phyllis Wheatlys in literature, the Paynes, Lees and Crumwells in theology, and those who had achieved distinction in business and politics were too few for the race to sit down and attempt to live upon their hard-earned reputations. The interpolation of numerous flashes of wit and discussion of the misconceptions of our people on a variety of every-day affairs were keenly enjoyed and the speaker was frequently interrupted by applause.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Washington Commercial Council, the principal business organization of the Negroes of the national capital, and was arranged in conjunction with the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. Bethel Literary this year, under the brilliant guidance of President L. G. Gregory, has been making a specialty of joining hands with the several helpful civic organizations and educational institutions of the community and bringing their work to the front in a luminous fashion. President Gregory called the meeting to order Tuesday evening, and after Mrs. Carrie W. lCifford had read the minutes of the previous session, he introduced Architect John A. Lankford, president of the Commercial Council, as the presiding officer of the occasion. Mr. R. W. Thompson, corresponding secretary of the Council, then gave a statement of the work of the body up to the present, and the achievements chronicled gave ample evidence that the organization was living up to its opportunities in this productive field, and was exerting a stimulating influence upon the educational, commercial, industrial and civic life of the 100,000 Negroes in the District of Columbia. Mr. Richard C. Bundy, the newly appointed secretary of legation at Monrovia, Liberia, was introduced and his brief speech was happily received by the audience. He expected great things of the Liberian Republic and gave the assurance that he would do all that lay in his power to serve his race and country as their representative abroad. Mr. Bundy was made an honorary member of the Council.

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Among other significant things in the course of his address Dr. Ransom said:

"The white business men of this country fail to place a proper estimate upon the purchasing power of the 10,000,000 Negro consumers in this country. The Negro furnishes the backbone of the labor in the production of America's most profitable staples, and although threatened in the line of personal and domestic service, is still the white man's closest ally in making him comfortable and healthy. We are a spending people. Unlike the foreigners swarming to our shores, the Negro does not hoard his earnings and send them back to the Fatherland, but spends his millions of dollars right here among the people from whom he receives them. He buys good clothing, eats the best food and enjoys himself, even while purchasing homes, building schools and churches and educating his children. He enriches the arteries of trade and commerce would miss him should he leave.

"The Negro, therefore," continued Dr. Ransom, "is a marvelous business asset to the American nation. White merchants and manufacturers are making a sad mistake in not nurturing this valuable factor in their prosperity. If the solid business men of the country would encourage the Negro by giving him employment in their immense plants and allowing him broader opportunities for earning money and offering him chances to go into business for himself, as urged by the National Negro Business League, the nation as a whole would realize handsomely upon the investment."

A lively discussion was precipitated by Dr. Ransom's able address, and short but very informing talks were made by Bishop W. H. Heard of West Africa, Dr. N. B. Sterrett of South Carolina, Dr. J. I. Lowe of Arkansas, Dr. E. W. Lee, president of Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. A. J. Carey of Chicago and others.

Choice musical selections were rendered by the choir of the 19th Street Baptist church, under the direction of Prof. J. T. Walker, and a delightful solo was given by Mrs. Lucy A. Blagburn.

The attendance was representative of the best intelligence and character of the District, and in the audience was a large number of the delegates called here to attend the sessions of the Church Extension and Financial Boards of the A. M. E. church. In getting up so successful and profitable meeting the Commercial Council "scored" heavily.

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The meetings of the Church Extension and Financial boards of the A. M. E. church brought together a fine aggregation of administrators of that splendid organization. The visitors were leud in their praise of the hospitality dispensed by Dr. John F. Hurst, financial secretary, and Dr. B. F. Watson, secretary of the Church Extension Board. The wisdom of the connection in purchasing the properties on 14th street for the accommodation of the church's offices was amply demonstrated. The building at 1535 14th street cost $10,000 and the present headquarters of the financial department at the corner of 14th and Q streets was bought for $20,000. The rapid development of 14th street as a business thoroughfare, however, has materially increased their value, and now the two pieces would bring not less than $40,000. Bishop Abraham Grant of Kansas City, Kas., one of the country's ablest prelates, presided over the deliberations of the Financial Board. He is serving his second term of four years in the chair. He is also a member of the Jeanes Rural School Fund, of which President Taft is a member, and of which Dr. Booker T. Washington is chief promoter.

The financial report showed that nearly $2,000,000 had been raised during the current year, coming in from what is known as "dollar money." Eight per cent. of the money thus raised is used in the educational work of the denomination; 10 per cent. is turned over to the Board of Church Extension; 36 per cent. is retained by the various annual conferences for the support of superannuated ministers, widows of ministers and orphans, etc., and the remainder—46 per cent.—is used for the payment of the salaries of the bishops, general officers and other denominational needs. The financial department was created at the General Conference which met in Nashville, Tenn., in 1872, and it is the central medium for the collection and disbursement of the funds of the church. For the first eight years it was located at Nashville, and was then removed to Wilberforce, Ohio, where it remained until its location in this city in 1888. The department has had nine secretaries, and nearly, if not all of them up to this time, have been chosen to the bishopric at the close of their term of service. The present financial secretary, Dr. John F. Hurst, is a man of unusual ability, and will doubtless be elevated to the episcopal bench at the earliest opportunity. He is a native of Haiti, was once secretary of the Haitien Legation, and is a graduate of Wilberforce University. As a pulpit orator and writer on theological and economic problems Dr. Hurst has few equals. Up to the time he took charge of the financial department $2,825,067.60 had passed through it. The receipts of the current year bring this total to the $3,000,000 mark.

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Wednesday last fifty ministers, including the members of the two boards and others, called upon Persident Taft to pay their respects. The delegation was headed by Bishop Grant, Bishop Derrick and Register W. T. Vernon. The visitors were cordially received and the famous "Taft smile" was in evidence throughout the very satisfactory interview. The sentiments of the two boards were expressed in a document read by Dr. A. J. Carey of Chicago. The President was assured that the colored people highly appreciated his recommendation to Congress for the payment of the remaining 38 per cent. of the deposits made by the colored citizens in the ill-fated Freedmen's Bank, and were also mindful of the President's recommendation to Congress touching the Negro's celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of his emancipation. Bishop Grant followed with a short address. Liberia's future came in for complimentary mention.

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President Taft stated that he was glad to see the delegation and congratulated them upon the strength shown by the calling which they represented. He was pleased that there had been progress made by Congress in the matter of the Freedmen's Bank and the exposition measures and felt that something would ultimately be done for the relief of the Liberian Republic. In the party were Bishop W. H. Heard, who is deeply interested in the welfare of Liberia, and Editor J. H. Murphy of the Afro-American Ledger of Baltimore, who is keeping a sharp eye on all legislation looking to the uplift of the Negro people throughout the land. Mr. Charles Stewart, the well-known newspaper correspondent, spent the week in the city. The season was a profitable one for the nation's great churchmen and for our people in general.

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The Committee on Banking and Currency of the House gave a thorough hearing this week to representatives of the race who are pushing the passage of the bill providing for the reimbursement of the depositors of the late Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company. The principal address was made by former Register J. W. Lyons. The committee in charge of the bill is composed of Representatives E. B. Vreeland, New York, chairman; Henry McMorran, Michigan; G. D. McCreary, Pennsylvania; E. A. Hayes, California; J. W. Weeks, Massachusetts; James McKinney, Illinois; Philip P. Campbell, Kansas; F. E. Guernsey, Maine; C. S. Millington, New York; James Joyce, Ohio; W. O. Barnard and H. A. Barnhart, Indiana; W. H. Heald, Delaware; A. P. Pujo, Louisiana; Carter Glass, Virginia; Ollie M. James, Kentucky; O. W. Gillespie, Texas; J. G. McHenry, Pennsylvania, and W. S. Hammond, Minnesota.

Sixty-one thousand one hundred and thirty-one depositors are affected by this bill and the money to be appropriated—$1,291,700—will be distributed to Negroes living in nearly every State in the Union. Many of the original depositors, formerly in the South, have gone to the North and West, or their descendants have moved away from the old home. The Senate committee has already recommended the bill for passage and it is understood that the House committee will take similar action, Democrats and Republicans alike supporting it.

A summary of the original deposits in the Freedmen's Bank, showing the vast territory over which the depositors were scattered, will be interesting at this time. The amount of money credited to the various cities in the original statement of the Freedmen's Bank was as follows:

Norfolk, Va.	$126,337
Savannah, Ga.	153,425
Louisville, Ky.	137,094
Raleigh, N. C.	26,703
Montgomery, Ala.	29,743
Wilmington, N. C.	45,225
Lexington, Ky.	34,193
Richmond, Va.	166,000
Baltimore, Md.	303,947
New York	344,071
Newberne, N. C.	40,631
Mobile, Ala.	95,144
Philadelphia, Pa.	84,657
St. Louis	58,397

Under the pending appropriation these cities will be allotted 38 per cent. of the above amounts. A still broader area will be benefited than is here indicated, for many of the depositors or their heirs have become scattered and reside in places not mentioned in this summary. The bill will be the best piece of legislation the Negro has gotten through Congress in a long time, and those who are pushoing it deserve the thanks of the race everywhere.

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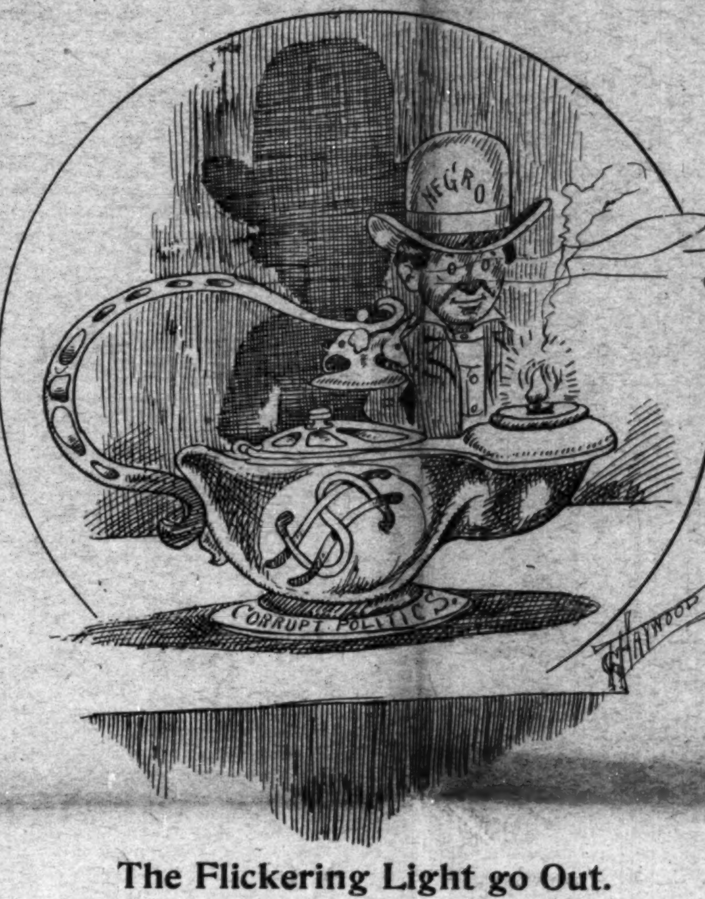

The Flickering Light go Out.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to **The Freeman**.

Madame E. Azalia Hackley, the noted colored soprano, gave a recital on April 20, in Dyer's Music Hall. Her mission in giving the recital was to bring about the higher musical education to colored talent. She was assisted by Miss L. O. Sith, who gave a reading, Kipling's "Gunga Din"; John H. Hickman, Jr., baritone solist; Claude D. Jackson, tenor soloist, and Kenneth Hamilton, who gave a mandolin solo....Mr. Philip Talbert and Miss Mamie Reynolds were united in marriage last week....The Social and Literary Club met last week at the home of the president, Mrs. R. D. Chapman. A splendid program was rendered....Rev. E. H. McDonald has gone East on business, and will return in about two weeks....Mrs. Cora Ball, Grand Forks, N. D., spent last week in the city, the guest of Mrs. J. Milton....Rev. Jos. S. Strong filled the pulpit at Pilgrim Baptist church in the absence of its pastor....The Home Cafe, 277 Fuller street, seems to be the popular rendezvous for after-theatre parties. Mr. W. E. Mitchell has entered into the catering business, and his cafe is perhaps the best equipped in the city, and fills the long-felt want of such a safe in St. Paul for our people....Mrs. Emma Dorsey was granted an absolute divorce from Wesley Dorsey....Al Martin's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" show is playing this week at the Grand Theatre. The troupe includes a number of Negroes....Mr. R. Sidney Harris was one of the many appointed census enumerators....Misses Loomis and Kenedy are working at Democratic headquarters....The "Small" Loan & Investment Company has abandoned the small loan feature, and will hereafter engage in land and real estate strictly. ....Get **The Freeman** each week from Henry Crawford, the popular news agent.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to **The Freeman**:

Cold weather has crimped up the people in the lity so the past few days that all activity seems at rest....Walter Westbrook droped dead last Friday at his work in the Oriental bath house. He was liked by his many friends here and made friends wherever he went by his genial manner to one and all....Mr. and Mrs. John Yarbrough entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clark at their residence on Bryant street Friday night....Mrs. Charlitte Watson, of this city, is visiting her son in Oklahoma.... Rev. Sutton E. Griggs lectured at New Hope and was full of thought to the many who heard it....Mrs. M. G. Hopkins, of St. Louis, Mo., while visiting Mr. and Mrs. Smith Weston, on Cochran street, was shown many courtisies by sime of her newly made friends while here. Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Cooper, on State street, entertained in her honor.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

Special to **The Freeman**.

Mr. Edgar Bartholomew, of Pittsburg, Pa., spent Sunday in the city by the sea. Mr. Bartholomew holds a clerkship in the office of one of the vice presidents of the Pennsylvania railroad, with headquarters at the Union Station, Pittsburg, Pa.... Editor Chris Perry, of the Philadelphia Tribune, and Mr. T. Thomas Fortune were among the Sunday visitors to the local office of the Indianapolis **Freeman**, 1908 Arctic ave....Rev. Charles Stewart, better known as Editor Stewart, our only representative on the Associated Press, spent Sunday and Monday in our city. During his stay the citizens turned out in vast numbers to hear the noted lecturer. Editor Stewart spoke at the Union Temple and St. James church....Patriarchie 78 of G. U. O. of Odd Fellows were the specially invited guests of the Knights of Pythias at their military reception in the Fitzgerald Auditorium, April 14. The Patriarchie made a handsome appearance in their full dress uniform....Miss Edna Anderson, president of the Edna Louise Olive Company, has returned from Chicago, Ill....St. James church, the beautiful, will always stand as a monument of five years of labor and toil of Rev. A. L. Murray....Master Oliver Pointer is on the sick list, and his many little friends miss him both at school and at play....Mrs. Waren Broks, of Washington, D. C., left for home last week. While here she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin....The coming general Presbytery, which convenes in this city May 20, has reserved accommodations for over ten thousand delegates and members....**The Freeman** is read every week by the traveling public. Let the A. E. Edwards Publishing Company place your ad, so the coming delegates to the Presbytery will find accommodations suitable during their stay in Atlantic City.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

Special to **The Freeman**:

By special request the public asks if the Misses Eliza Britton, Marion Sequra, Cannie Harton, and Mabel Robinson will repeat their concert, which was given on April 4, and was a great success....The Florida Blossom Pleasure Club entertained quite a large crowd at the K. of P. Hall last Tuesday night, April 12. Everybody reporteed a good time....Patrick Presley, manager; S. S. Slater, Misses Smith and Moses, of the Pensacola Normal School, will give a concert, May 2. This will be by pupils of the kindergarten department. Everybody is invited to come out and see the little ones....F. C. Bunch left last week for Mobile, Ala., where he will be for the next ten days on business....John Bogle left last week for Hot Springs, where he will be for a few months for the benefit of his health. ....Lawrence Pons sends his regards to Kenner and Lewis, who are at his airdome in Jacksonville, Fla.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to **The Freeman**.

Mr. William Brown was called to Boston on account of the death of his sister, Mrs. Mary E. Lee, who died in the hospital after an operation....Mr. Augustus Marshall was taken with a setback last week and is bedfast again....Mrs. Willis Collins remains about the sale....William Cooper, of Chestnut street, visited relatives and friends Sunday in Pittsburg.... Mrs. Hiram Waters, if Warren, was in the city Monday....George Burk, of Sharon, was in the city Saturday....A number from Warren New 1Castle Sharon and Pittsburg visited friends in the city the past week....Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Swinton and family have moved from stop 25 to East Comerce street, this city.... Fred James, Mr. Hornaday, Mr. Harvey, Scott Clieman are on the sick list....It is rumored that a charming widow of Mahoning is to be married soon....Mrs. Jennie Myers, of Salem, is the guest of Mrs. George Martin, on St. Louis avenue. ....Mrs. Simon Burgess, Mrs. G. M. Fagan, Mrs. Hiram Simons are able to be about again....Mrs. Cira Belle Simpson, wife of John Silpson, died at the home on Hilker street Saturday and the funeral was held Tuesday. The deceased was born at Sandy Lake, December 27, 1881. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband and two children.

MITCHELL, IND.

Special to **The Freeman**:

The Good brothers met last week here and held a family reunion at Mr. Frank Gold's. Joe of St. Louis, Mal, Chas. and Clarence Good of North eVrnon....Mr. Erwin Hughes spent Sunday in Bedford. ....Mr. Ara and Press Terrell, Harry Edmon and J. W. Hughes attended the K. of P. celebration at French Lick Sunday. ....The ice cream and strawberry social given by some of the young people of the A. M. E. Church was quite a success financially and sicially. Committee: Harry Edmons, Leiaus Henson, James Russell, Oliva Mitchell, Jane Mitchell, Cora Russell, Mary F. Thompson and Oliva Rains.... Rev. R. J. M. Long, presiding elder, will preach for Rev. H. J. Thompson Thursday, April 28....Rev. Arran Knight, of Danvile, Ill., is visiting his family....Mr. George Ervin, of Bloomingtin, is visiting her brother Henry, who is quite ill.

W. L. HOUSTON IN CHICAGO

GIVES HOPES OF MEETING OF ODD FELLOWS

WILL SEND DELEGATE TO ENGLAND

Dr. Lane is Member of Tuberculosis Committee—George W. Cable Addresses the Standard Literary Society.

By Cary B. Lewis.

Special to The Freeman.

In an interview with Mr. W. L. Houston, Grand Master of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, he stated that "the coming B. F. C. wull be one of the greatest meetings in the history of the order. More important questions will come up than at all previous sessions of the M. B. C. Efforts will be made to elect a delegate to the "mother lodge" in England, which organization makes all the laws governing the Odd Fellows all over the world. The proposition is being favored by Grand Master Houston, and he has received many letter from those high in the councils of the order, stating that they endorse the movement.

The conclave will be held in Baltimore, Sept. 12, and Hon. Harry S. Cummings, city councilman and chairman of the local committee, writes that the greater part of the arrangements are well in hand. All four branches of the order will be represented. We expect 1,800 delegates. We expect 800 delegates from the Grand Household of Ruth, General Staff Council, 300, and Past Grand Masters' Conference, 150.

Mr. Houston will leave May 5 for Washington, D. C.; Philadelphia, New York, Maryland and other points in that section. His visit will be an official one and he delivers a series of addresses touching on Odd Fellowism at the above points.

The name of Hon. E. H. Morris, one of the ablest and most brilliant men in the city of Chicago, a true and tried Odd Fellow leader, will be presented to the B. M. C. for the grand mastership. It is said that in many quarters all over the country he will have no opposition.

Henry P. Slaughter of Washington, D. C., who has been of valuable service to the order and a man of brilliant parts, and one of the most efficient men in the printing department of the U. S. Government, is slated for the editorship of the Odd Fellows' Journal.

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Get the habit of reading The Freeman.

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For baseball matters, here and elsewhere, read The Freeman.

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Dr. E. L. Moore has been ill this week, but is improving.

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Mr. Jos. Snowden is making an active agent for Wm. D. Neighbors Real Estate Agency.

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Mrs. Victora De Moss and Mrs. Caroline Jackson are still ill, but we hope for their speedy recovery.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevens are bubbling with joy. The stork presented to them an eleven-pound baby boy last week.

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Miss Hallie Q. Brown, who has been in the city for the past week, will leave in a few days to visit friends in several Northern cities.

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Miss R. Anna Smith, a trained nurse, was married today to Mr. William Dents, one of Chicago's popular young men. The wedding was a quiet one.

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The Freeman can be found in most newspaper stands on State street, between Twenty-seventh and Thirty-seventh streets. Ask for it; they have it.

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Miss Anna Cole, cashier of the Binga Bank has been quite ill at one of the hospitals of the city. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

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Mr. John Hedge, the famous pony wrestler, is in the city, and has beeen much pleased to see so many of his old friends. He makes his headquarters at the Pekin.

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Rev. E. J. Fisher, of the Olivet Baptist Church, preached one of his ablest sermons on last Sunday. He is also making preparations to attend the world's convention in Scotland.

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Mr. J. Turner Wall, representative of the Metropolitan Mercantile and Realty Company, of New York, is in the city, and, having become permanently settled, will open his office on or about May 1.

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Although Edward H. Wright did not win in the race for councilman, he succeeded in mustering over 1,600 loyal Negro voters. It proved that we are still for our kith and kin in politics as well as in business.

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Mr. Sam Davis, treasurer of the C. V. B. A., is in the city, after spending several weeks on the Western coast. He is a member of the Davis and Walker team, that has scored a big hit in the West.

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During the month of May there will be several musicals. The promoters are anxious that these affairs will be largely patronized by the people of this city. The Freeman representative will be glad to attend these affairs and make a report of each.

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On Wednesday evening Rev. Mrs. Vigil, together with her husband, held a revival service at Zion Church. She delivered an able sermon on "What Think Ye of Christ?" All seemed benefited thereby. She, together with Rev. Vigil, rendered beautiful hymns of praise.

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Dr. Leonard Lewis, one of the leading physicians of the city, has moved his office from Forty-seventh street to Thirty-fifth and State streets. The interior of his present quarters is handsome, with beautiful oak furnishings. Dr. Lewis is very proud of his increase of practice.

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Miss Sophia Johnson, one of the most charming of Kentucky's fair sex, will spend her vacation in this city. Already a number of young men are preparing to give her a pleasant time. Miss Johnson is a teacher at the Pearl Street school, which is regarded as the model school of Louisville.

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One of the newest enterprises is that of Porter & Prentice. They are the only two Negro graduates of the pharmaceutical department of the Illinois University. They have opened a drug store at 19 West 31st street. They are centrally located, with a splendid outlook for a good business.

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Chicago will be crowded this summer from all parts of the country, while there will be the usual influx, the number is expected to be increased this year. Louisville and Indianapolis will send a bevy of pretty girls to make social visits; others will come to take courses at the schools that give post-graduate courses.

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Jack Johnson's friends are getting their money together. They believe that the champion will return from the West victorious. Already a host of Chicago's local sports are planning to go to the fight. S. H. Dudley, of the Smart Set Company, plans to run a special car. A number will go in his party from this city.

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The postoffice clerk's entertainment, given at Quinn Chapel last Sunday, was largely attended. Despite the inclemency of the weather, the auditorium was nearly filled in its seating capacity. The program rendered was one among the many rendered annually by these clerks. Every one seemed to be pleased and enjoyed the meeting immensely.

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Dr. Healy, who conducts the Psychopathetic Institute of the Juvenile Court, stated this week that the juvenile organization of Chicago is considered one of the most important organizations in this country or in the world. It is a fact that people come from all parts of the world to study its methods. They come here from Russia, China and England.

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The Chicago Giants open up Sunday, at Auburn Park, Seventy-ninth and Wentworth streets. Mr. Frank Leland is president of the organization and Nathan Harris is captain of the team. The team has just returned from a very successful trip in the South. Major R. R. Jackson has reported the games to several newspapers while sojourning with the team on its Southern tour.

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William Foster, who writes under the name of "Juli Jones," is still selling songs and doing a land office business at Thirty-first and State streets. Mr. Foster is full of reminiscences on all the stage celebrities, and it is interesting to hear him talk. At present he is making a specialty of selling the "O You Jack Johnson" button. He is receiving orders from all parts of the country.

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The general mail order house of J. H. Zedricks & Co., Chicago, is worthy of note by our many readers, and should be supported by all race loving men and women throughout the length and breadth of the country. Everything needed in the home is listed in a beautifully illustrated catalogue. J. H. Zedricks & Co., together with their motto, "Integrity, Honesty and Quality," bid fair to become one of the leading houses in our section.

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Mr. Wm. D. Neighbors, the real estate dealer, says that his business is better than ever. It is a pleasure to us to see such a young man of his caliber in business. He is honorable, honest and thorough. He has won the confidence of the people of Chicago, and is making great headway. He is thoughtful and courageous, and with these elements of character he is bound to win. He is president of the Illinois Chronicle Publishing Company.

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"I am greatly pleased with my business," said Mr. Jesse Binga, of Binga Banking and Real Estate firm. He sai dfurther, "There has been a steady increase in my business and ti is today on a firmer basis than ever." These were among some of the statements made by Mr. Binga, who conducts one of the most successful enterprises in the city, giving employment to several brilliant young men and women of the race. His place is located at Thirty-sixth Place and State street.

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The Chicago Association of Commerce is planning to give ex-President Roosevelt a welcome to this city. Homer A. Stilwell, president of the association, will go to New York when Mr. Roosevelt arrives, and extend the noted African hunter an invitation to visit the great Western city. Mayor Busse and others prominent in business and political affairs, will join the movement. If Mr. Roosevelt visits this city, a number of prominent colored men are expected to be members of the reception committee.

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Ex-Congressman Geo. W. Murray has written a booklet on "Race Ideals." It deals with the cause, effect and remedy for the Afro-Americans and race troubles. The booklet has been reviewed by Dr. M. A. Majors, one of the best posted physicians and literary men of the city, and the doctor claims that the booklet is well worth reading by all race lovers. It will be on sale at book stores and by friends of Mr. Murray. Mr. Murray is said to have given the subject deep interest and research and much can be learned from the perusal of the book.

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Mr. George W. Cable of Indianapolis postoffice was the principal speaker at the Standard Literary on last Sunday afternoon at the Bethesda Baptist church. Although the weather was miserable, the worst that has been seen in the city of Chicago for some time, there wa sa very large crowd present. Mr. Gable delivered a most brilliant and able address. It was the occasion of the Chicago postoffice clerks having charge of the program and Mr. Gable of Indianapolis, who is head of the mailing division, was the honored guest and speaker. After the speaking he was given a cordial reception. The meeting was said to be one of the best inthe history of the Standard Literary Association.

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Mr. Joseph Spencer, who has figured conspicuously during the past four years as a baseball magnate, is now heading a team with the assistance of the well-known Dave Wyatt. The team is known as the Illinois Giants. The officers are: Wm. D. Neighbors, president; Jos. Snowden, secretary; Jos. Spencer, treasurer, and Dave Wyatt, manager. The following is the line-up: W. H. Selden, second base; W. H. Parks, shortstop; Fred Goliah, third base; J. Booker, first base; Bucky Barden, left field; Eddie Lee, center field; N. Armstrong, right field and pitcher; Louis Johnson, Horace Jenkins, pitchers; Charles Nease, Sam Thompson and Dick Wallace, catchers; Elmer Brown, utility. Most of the players are graduates of some college or university. They are all salaried

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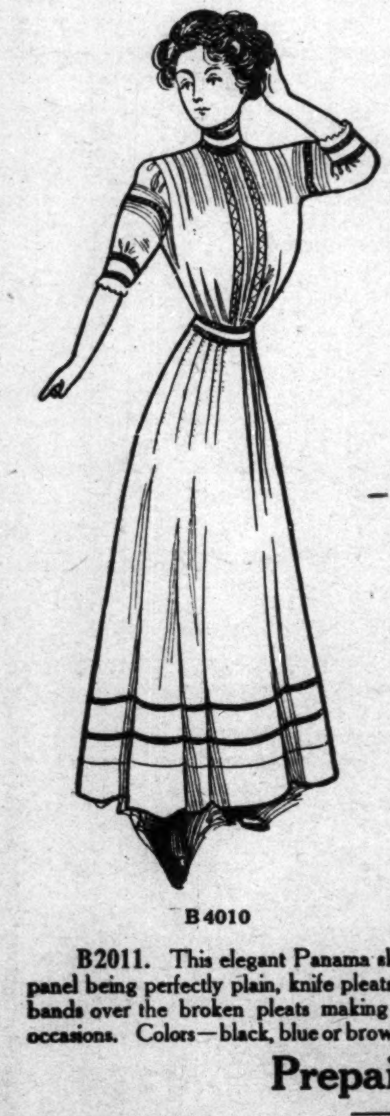

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Accepting an untenable situation is not leadership. A real leader must burn barriers away, and lead toward a Prominent Land.

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The colored millionairies of New York are waiting to see how Colonel Phil Payton "makes it" with the Pope when he strikes Rome.

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Nevertheless and notwithstanding, the soil of the South will yield as much cotton and corn for the black man as it will for the brother in white.

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The "toter" of a pistol or a razor is not a desirable citizen. Police judges will serve the public well by giving them the limit of the law when these fellows are haled before them.

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The closeness of the congressional fight this year will mean that the Negro will have a keener "look-in" than he has had in the recent years of mammoth majorities. "'Tis an ill wind that blows nobody good."

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Give President Taft a chance. Being boss of the White House and running the gamut of a critical press and a mass that wants everything done differently from the way it is being done, is not "one grand, sweet song."

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New York's heretofore liberal theaters are drawing the color line. The segregation bug is constantly corrupting the tissues of our civil rights laws in sections that were once "God's country." What is the remedy?

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States which insist upon disfranchising the Negro should not be allowed representation in Congress based upon the suppressed Negro vote. Suffrage robbers must not be permitted to "eat their cake and keep it."

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The recent marriage of Mrs. Mamie Williams Farley, endowment secretary of the Court of Calanthe and grand secretary of the Knights and Ladies of Honor of the World, to Editor Oscar W. Adams, of the Birmingham Reporter, was one of the finest social events that has ever taken place in Alabama's thriving metropolis. We beg to extend our heartiest congratulations and wish them a long and happy life.

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Dr. Booker T. Washington was a notable figure at the inauguration of Dr. George Augustus Gates as president of Fisk University, March 31. The administration of Dr. Gates opens auspiciously, and the new president has the cordial sympathy and support of the heads of its principal coadjutors, such as Tuskegee, Lincoln, Howard, Wilberforce and Atlanta.

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The Louisville Columbian, a newsy sheet, edited by Dr. P. R. Peters, has a new and attractive head, designed by Dr. L. A. Morris, a rising young draughtsman of the Falls City. Dr. Peters is not only a progressive newspaper man, but is active in church and political work of a highly constructive character. He is second vice president of the National Negro Press Association.

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The local branches of the National Negro Business League must "get busy" and stir up commercial enthusiasm in their respective bailiwicks, and not wait until a week or two before the national convention to show signs of life. The national meeting is inspirational, but the real work of stimulating business effort must be done all the year around by the local branch.

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It looks now as if King Menelik has died for the last time. There is no denying that this illustrious descendant of King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, with a strain of the Hebrew blood of Moses, was a great man in his day and generation. He gave positive evidence of the capacity of the Negro to exercise the functions of government with wisdom and power, and to make the proudest nations of Europe "sit up and take notice." The world will not soon look upon Menelik's like again.

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After wrestling with the alleged bribery in connection with the Percy-Vardaman senatorial contest, the Mississippi legislature is "all het up" over the Williams bill, which proposes to have the railroads furnish separate sleeping car accommodations for the blacks and whites, without running counter to the provisions of the interstate commerce law. This everlasting Negro problem is killing off our would-be white statesmen day by day.

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Charles Stewart, the effervescent globe-trotting correspondent and lecturer, is to go to the great religious conference at 'dinburgh. Prof. Stewart is one of the best in the business, regardless of race or color, and we are proud of him. Such a trip will be an eye-opener to this always wide-awake scribe, and when he returns he will have things to tell that no one else ever thought of before. Bon voyage, Brother Stewart. Drop in on us when you come to Washington.

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The white folks cannot get ahead of the black man, even after getting a big lead over him at the start. An Indianapolis Negro, Charles Southers, is said to have invented an airship that will easily carry twelve passengers, and in a pinch will support three or four others. Those amateurs, the Wright brothers, Glenn Curtiss, Paulhan and Lahm, will do well to have Mr. Southers put them next to how the thing is done.

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Dr. C. V. Roman, Nashville's famous specialist, who is editing the Journal of the National Medical Association, had a brilliant and scholarly editorial in a recent number of his excellent paper, entitled "An Impending Crisis." Pointing out the value of the study of ethnography, ethnogeny, ethnology and ethno-psychology for the proper understanding of man's relation to the socio-economic life about him, Dr. Roman sails in and handles without gloves the writers of two biased magazine articles which pretend to discuss the Negro problem. The first bourbon to feel the searching probe of his merciless scalpel was Judge Harris Dickson, of unenviable fame, who, in Hampton's, essayed to forecast the future under the startling caption, "Exit the Black Man." The second victim was Marion Hamilton Carter, who, in McClure's, ventured to talk about the Negro as "The Vampire of the South." Dr. Roman rightly places Dickson and Carter in that class of Southern writers whose articles "seldom exhibit that careful regard for accuracy of philosophical poise that should characterize profitable ethnological study. In fact," continues Dr. Roman, "they seem to seek arguments to establish preconceived notions, rather than inquiries after the truth. Spectacular rhetoric, rather than sound conclusion, seems to be their goal." It will pay any student of race problems to follow Dr. Roman's sound reasoning in the editorial columns of the Journal of the National Medical Association, the official organ of the body of which he was the founder and first president.

A TRUE STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCHES IN GEORGIA.

Atlanta, Ga., April 5, 1910.

We, your committee appointed by the Ministerial Union of the A. M. E. Church, Atlanta, Ga., to state our position in reference to certain rumors and newspaper reports in The Age, Allen Student, Afro-American Ledger and The Philadelphia Courant in reference to the condition of the internal church affairs and matters of administration in the Sixth Episcopal District, do hereby declare ourselves:

We simply state facts, not theories, nor even our wishes, hopes or fears; all that we state is without either the knowledge, instigation or consent of the Bishop of the District, or, so far as we know, of any of the persons who are accused of being creators of any alleged dissatisfaction.

If one were unacquainted with the true condition of our church affairs in Georgia, he would have good reason to suppose, from certain newspaper reports, that the Sixth Episcopal District was in the midst of a great internal turmoil; that many of the ministers are dissatisfied with their treatment at the hands of the Bishop; that affairs at our chief school, Morris Brown College, are in a serious and unfavorable condition, and, in short, that there is widespread dissatisfaction in the State with the policy of the administration.

We deplore the spread and persistency of these rumors. There are, roughly speaking, about 1,000 African Methodist preachers in the Sixth Episcopal District, and outside of three men, who have placed themselves on record as being dissatisfied with the administration of affairs, we are unacquainted with any others who are disaffected. To be sure, there are some preachers who may be dissatisfied with their present appointments, but this is quite common to Methodism, and we are only surprised that there is not a larger number.

The overwhelming mass of the ministers and the people of our church in Georgia are in sympathetic accord with the administration of the District by Bishop C. S. Smith, and peace and prosperity, as shown by substantial reports, prevails.

So far as Morris Brown College is concerned, there have been over 900 students this term. Dr. Lee's administration has been a pronounced success. He is competent, qualified, and has shown marked executive ability. Reports show that there never was a larger attendance at this season of the year.

The work of repairing the damage to the main building caused by fire, January 11, has been completed, in addition to which a steam heating plant has been installed. There is peace among the faculty, and discipline, as records show, was never better.

We challenge and court a full and impartial investigation of the truth of our assertions, and in support thereof we will guarantee to pay the total expense of the trip, from any part of this country, of any reputable churchman who will come to this State, investigate conditions and find from one end of the State to the other three charges that are in opposition to the administration of Bishop Smith, or who have any just cause of complaint thereof.

We are making this statement in simple fairness to all parties concerned, and with an eye single to the best interests of our beloved Zion in the grand old Sixth Episcopal District.

(Signed)
H. D. CANADY, President,
C. M. TANNER, Secretary,
R. V. BRANCH,
W. G. ALEXANDER,
R. A. WHITFIELD,
D. H. PORTER,
Committee.

The foregoing resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Atlanta Ministerial Union at the regular meeting April 5, 1910. They were ordered to be spread upon the minutes and given to the press.

H. D. CANADY,
President of Ministerial Union.
CALVIN JOHNSON,
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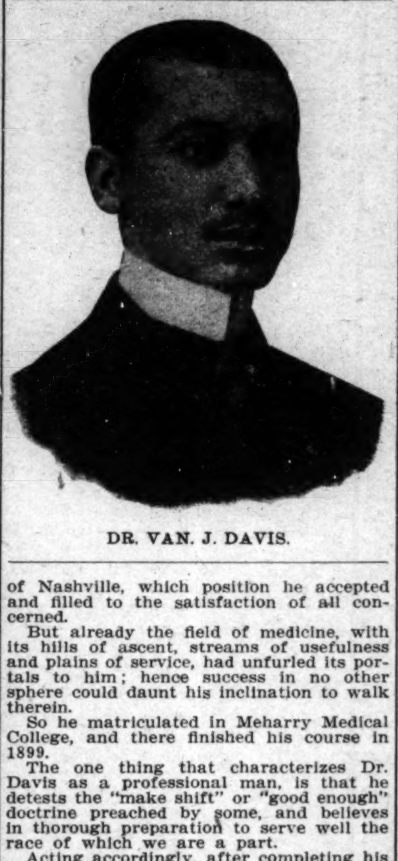
One of Kentucky's favorite sons, Dr. Van J. Davis, first saw the light in the thriving little city of Henderson in the year 1874.

He was fortunate in that he fell heir to the kind of parental training so essential for the development of stalwart manhood.

Early in life he finished the course in the public schools of Henderson and afterward took the academic course in Walden University—then Central Tennessee College. By this time his reputation as a scholar and real worth as a race worker had made him prominent in the eyes of those who knew him, and he was offered a position as teacher in the city schools of Nashville, which position he accepted and filled to the satisfaction of all concerned.


DR. VAN. J. DAVIS.

But already the field of medicine, with its hills of ascent, streams of usefulness and plains of service, had unfurled its portals to him; hence success in no other sphere could daunt his inclination to walk therein.

So he matriculated in Meharry Medical College, and there finished his course in 1899.

The one thing that characterizes Dr. Davis as a professional man, is that he detests the "make shift" or "good enough" doctrine preached by some, and believes in thorough preparation to serve well the race of which we are a part.

Acting accordingly, after completing his course, before hanging out his "single," he spent a year in study at Northwestern University, Chicago, and then served as intern in Freedman's Hospital, Washington, D. C.

In the year 1900 Dr. Davis located in Paducah, Ky., beginning there the active practice of medicine, and it was then his career as a matchless Pythian worker began.

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Yours in F. C. & B.,
George F. Porter,
Ex. C. C., Cymboline Lodge No. 18.

OKLAHOMA HAS MANY NEGRO LAND OWNERS.

Nine Negro Towns.

Special to The Freeman.

Very few people in the States east of the Mississippi River know that the Indian possessed slaves. They were more benevolent to their slaves than the white men were to theirs. There are on the rolls at the Daws' Commission, in Muskogee, 23,382 freedmen, who were slaves, and their decendants, who were owned by the Indians. Each of these has received from 40 to 160 acres of land, according to the tribe of which they are members. In round numbers there were about 2,000,000 acres allotted to the freedmen of the old Indian Territory. Putting this at an average of $10 er acre, would give $20,000,000 worth of land owned by Negroes in Oklahoma. This does not include what the State Negroes have brought into the western half of the State, nor the city and personal property. Therefore the census to be taken this year will verify the fact that the Negroes of Oklahoma own more land and pay taxes on more real and personal property than in any State in Uncle Sam's domain.

Oklahoma was admitted into the Union on the 16th of September, 1907, with a population of 1,500,000, of which 112,000 were colored. Now we have nine strictly Negro towns, six of which are incorporated and run by colored officers. Boley, the largest, has about passed Mound Bayou, Miss. Therefore it is the largest colored town in the Union. It has a population of 3,500. It has two banks, a local telephone system, and the operator is a colored girl; a colored telegraph operator and an express and ticket agent. Boley has three independent schools besides the city school. Langston, the next colored town of importance, has the State Normal and Agricultural School, and Taft, only eleven miles from Muskogee, has the State deaf, blind and orphan school. The other colored towns are Red Bird, Rentiesville, Tullahasse, Clearview, Grayson, and Wybark.

Oklahoma is quite varied in her natural resources, but oil and gas are receiving more attention at present. The oil and gas industry has proven profitable to our people as well as to the whites. Quite a few of our people own 1il property, from which they are receiving handsome incomes that are developing into fortunes. One young man, Zeke Moore, of Muskogee, has 160 acres in the Glenn pool that is valued at a half million dillars. Others are receiving from $30 to $300 per month in royalties.

In the agricultural field Oklahoma has made a record. The State Board of Agriculture has made its report for 1909. It states that there are 44,424,960 acres of land in Oklahoma, of which only 10,182,614 acres or 24.5 per cent are in cultivation. This shiws about one out of four in cultivation. The census shows that seventeen different crops were raised last year, with corn in the lead and cotton second. The farm products rolled up to the tune of 79,000,000. While this is a large amount, in fact the largest for Oklahoma, yet there are thousands, yea milliins, of acres lying idle awaiting the thrifty farmer. All readers of this article who are inclined to the farm will do well to investigate the opportunity for farming in Oklahoma. Land can be purchased from $15 to $30 per acre on terms. We need more colored farmers to help develop iur land. Since land is the basis of wealth, therefore come to Oklahoma, purchase some of her excellent soil, cultivate it and become independent.

Oklahoma has an excellent school system. The term of the public school is from six to nine months. Uncle Sam gave Oklahima $5,000,000 for a permanent school fund, and with the many acres of school land, Oklahoma stands at the head of the list with a permanent school fund and a good school system. In driving through the country you will find the schoilhouse and church, the main factors of progressive civilization, much in evidence.

All of the religious denominations are represented in Oklahoma. Most all of them have their State school or they have made and are making plans for establishing the same. The Missionary Baptists are in the lead with the A. M. E. a close second. Oklahoma as a new State is in need of better teaching and preaching material. Especially is this true of the ministerial part. Oklahoma needs ministers who are not grafters, rogues and gamblers, who will have the moral courage to stand for the right and to preach by example as well as by precept.

The Freeman can be had at the People's Drug Store on South Second street. Leave your news items at 113 South Second street.

Muskogee will make a strong bid for the semi-centennial celebration of the Negroes' freedom in 1913. Muskogee has the record of getting whatever she goes after. Keep your eye on her.

HARRY H. PACE.

Harry H. Pace, of Memphis, Tenn., is the popular young cashier of the Solvent Savings and Trust Company. This bank is considered one of the strongest in the State that is operated and controlled by colored men. Mr. Pace deserves much credit for his hustling qualities. He has a thorough knowledge of all financial affairs and his acquisition is sure to prove a valuable asset to the institution. Besides his identification with the bank young Pace is also interested in one of the largest job printing houses owned by colored men in the city of Memphis. The Atkins faction of the B. P. O. E. of W. elected him at their last Grand Lodge national secretary of the order. Mr. Pace was formerly of Atlanta, Ga.

SAYS DU BOIS IS A HIRED HAND

Who Does Not Even Own a Home—Compares Him with Booker T. Washington.

Special to The Freeman.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—A few weeks ago Prof. W. E. Burghardt DuBois, lecturing on "John Brown," took occasion to make some caustic remarks touching Dr. Booker T. Washington and to criticise some of his public activities. The same thing occurred in Boston and other cities and an interested friend of Dr. Washington somewhat annoyed over the uncalled-for attacks, has been inquiring the reason why the "wizard" passes over the strictures Prof. DuBois has gotten in the habit of making. Replying to the query, a well-known educator, whose name is withheld at his request, said:

"It seems to me taht it would be entirely out of place for Dr. Washington to enter into any discussion with a man occupying the place that Dr. DuBois does, for the reason that Dr. Washington is at the head of a large institution where there are about 175 officers and teachers, and 1600 or 1700 students, with property valued at $1,000,000.

"Dr. DuBois, on the other hand," continued the observant educator, "is a mere hired hand, as it were, in an institution completely controlled by white people. He does not even own a home, but lives in a room or two in one of the college buildings; and, instead of employing people and paying out thousands of dollars every month to the people he hires, as is true of Dr. Washington, Dr. DuBois receives his salary month by month at the hands of white persons."

Not quite content with this "knockdown" blow at the pretensions laid at the door of Dr. Washington's critic from Atlanta University, it was further said that if the president of the institution that employs Dr. DuBois cares to enter into an argument with Dr. Washington, it might be another thing; but under no circumstances, remarked the "wizard's" friend, would Dr. Washington enter into an argument with a man who is totally on a different plane from him.

COLORED RAILWAY EMPLOYES WILL LOSE THOUSANDS

Should Johnson Be Defeated in His Fight with Jeffries.

Should Jack Johnson, the present champion heavyweight, lise his title to James J. Jeffries July 4 next, when they meet in their 45-round battle for the world's championship, it will mean a loss of at least $250,000 to $300,000 to the colored railway employes of the United States. This is a conservative estimate and the chances are that the loss to them in case Johnsin loses will be still greater. There are 8,500 colored porters employed by the Pullman Company, and at a low estimate there are over 12,000 colored men employed on the parlor cars, dining cars and as coiks on the various railroads, making fully 20,000 in all. It is a pretty safe prediction that practically every one of them will have a bet down on the big fight, for colored porters and waiters are "natural born gamblers," and it will be a poor kind of pirter or waiter who will not back up the colored champion.

Figuring on the basis that every one of these men bets from $10 to $15, it brings the total up to about $300,000, which is very cinservative, for many of them will bet up into the hundreds, and the chances are that the total amount bet by the porters and waiters will be nearer half a million than $300,000. Aside from what these colored men will wager might be added what the colored population in general will bet (and there are many colored sports who will bet up into the thiusands), and it is safe to estimate that close to $500,000 will be wagered this way, making in all close to $1,000,000.

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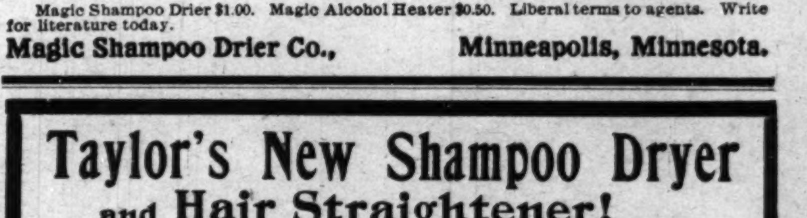
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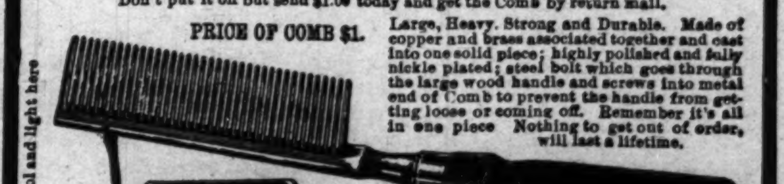

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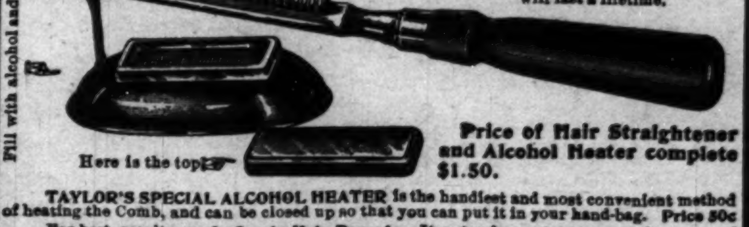
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FIVE THOUSAND MORE BY JUNE 25, 1910.

Here's what we will do to stimulate a country wide campaign for a greater Freeman. We want 5,000 new subscribers on our mailing list, and will give the following premiums to those who will help us to secure them. The premiums are as follows:

Premium 1. An Auto-Run-About for the highest over 700, providing we have four or more contestants. The total number in the aggregate shall number not less than 700, the Auto to go to the one sending in the highest number of that number (700).

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A 25 per cent. to all who care not to enter the contests. The paper during the period of the contests to go for ONE DOLLAR a year, the reports to be published weekly and all must be in by the issue of Saturday, June 25.

For this contest all communications bearing on it must be addressed to the managing editor, George L. Knox. Get busy!

The A. M. E. Church Review for the current quarter is before us and as usual is filled with interesting and helpful dissertations for church and the Afro-American race in particular.

Go it, Louisville (Ky.) Columbian! You are on the right track. You have demonstrated your ability to discuss ethical questions related to the races of mankind. We concur in the opinions uttered in current issue of your estimable journal.

With Governor Charles E. Hughes on the Supreme Court bench there will be no nullification of the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments to the United States Constitution, and the would-be nullifiers will not enjoy his society. Take this from The Freeman and believe it. "The government at Washington still lives," thank God!

We trust the collections for the Alpha Home for the Aged Colored People will meet with a generous response from our citizens. It is a deserving charity and duly authenticated—recommended by the Commercial Club of the city. We regret the loss sustained by the Home by the unfortunate conflagration, but rejoice that it was not accompanied with any fatal results to any of the inmates.

We have received a complimentary copy of Howard University Catalogue for 1909-10, which, to our mind, is easily the best and most complete we have seen published by that popular and widely known school for the education of the Negro youth "in the liberal arts and sciences." The Freeman congratulates Dr. Thirkfield and his able faculty and wishes them and the great university continued growth and prosperity.

We think there will be universay approval of President Taft's latest and we were going to say best appointment—that of a successor to the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench made so by the recent death of Justice Brewer. He has appointed Governor Charles E. Hughes of New York, who has accepted. Governor Hughes has won his spurs as a man in favor of dealing out justice to every man irrespective of race, condition or color. The Freeman congratulates His Excellency, the Governor of New York.

Look at things as they are, and you will see that the clever unjust are in the place of runners who run well from the starting place to the goal, but not back again from the goal; they go off at a great pace, but in the end only look foolish, slinking away with their ears down on their shoulders and without a crown; but the true runner comes to the finish and receives the prize and is crowned. And this is the way with the just; he who endures to the end of every action and occasion of his entire life has a good report and carries off the prize which men bestow.—Plato.

We admire the progress making in journalism by the new newspaper to espouse the cause of the race in church, state and nation. They are, viz: The Mountain Leader of Charleston, W. Va.; The New Age, Los Angeles, Cal.; The National Baptist Review and The Globe, both of Nashville, Tenn.; The Educator of Frankfort, Ky., and The Searchlight of Seattle, Wash. Beloved brethren of the quill, here's wishing you health, great prosperity and a long journalistic life. Keep your pages as you have been keeping them—clean and full of good news and glad tidings for the race that is making wonderful strides in the history in the making of the modern civilization.

Col. Henry Watterson of the Louisville Courier-Journal (Dem.) insists upon taking seriously the European renomination of ex-President Roosevelt, and in reply to the mayor of Rome's eulogy of the man President Taft referred to in his cablegram as "President Roosevelt" he declares for the people of the United States in the following language: "To consider Theodore Roosevelt as they have never considered him before; to take him more seriously than they have ever taken him; to realize that he is altogether the most startling figure who has appeared in the world since Napoleon Bonaparte, a circumstance not without signification and portent." That's just a little taste. The Colonel says lots more inferentially, predicated on the word "if" of uncertain quantity that we think he might as well not infer, for just now in the state of affairs nationally Americans will go a little slow about seconding Europe's motion for our next President. There are other positions open for Africa's Nimrod and the Rough Rider colonel.

In April, 1895, Danville, Va., was stirred from center to circumference on account of an alleged charge of rape against Jeddie Pritchard on a daughter of a white man named Pollard. The accused was given a hasty and "farce" trial and was condemned to death. He was afterwards horribly butchered in the jail. The current month in Hampton, Va., a white man named E. A. Vandyke was arrested charged with criminal assault on a nine-year-old colored girl named Rebecca Tyler Chandler, who died as the result of that fiend's treatment. He was indicted by a grand jury as charged, was given a trial at court and found guilty as charged and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pritchard's victim didn't die, and it was afterwards found that the Pollard girl, for whom he was killed, was his lover, and whatever was transacted between them was of mutual agreement. Not so in the Vandyke-Chandler case—an infant as it were. Had Vandyke been black instead of white and his victim white instead of black you wouldn't need a prophet to tell you what would have been his fate, for none but God would know his whereabouts. To the shades of Hades with such mockery of justice!

Crime has no color. According to the laws of Virginia contact with a girl under twelve years is rape and the penalty death. Why wasn't justice done in this instance? In law what is the difference between a white fiend and a black fiend? However, this was a step forward for Virginia even to have arrested a white man, let alone to have given a penitentiary sentence to one for an offense against a black person. God is not dead. Vandyke will get a just sentence before the eternal court after while.

REV. GILLIAM REAPPOINTED.

Owing to the strong protests made to the bishop by officers and members of the church, as well as by leading merchants, lawyers, state officials and others, Bishop Cranston has reappointed Rev. E. L. Gilliam as pastor of the Eleventh Street church, Columbus, O., for the eighth year. He had been appointed to St. Mark's, Chicago. Dr. Simmons, who had been assigned to Columbus, was sent to Flemingsburg, Ky., and the Rev. H. A. Foreman to Chicago.

THE APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNOR HUGHES TO THE SUPREME COURT BENCH.

It is safe to say that a more acceptable man has not been appointed to the Supreme Court in a good many years. Mr. Hughes is looked upon by the common people as a man who sees things through his own eyes, and decides them by his own sense of justice to all concerned.

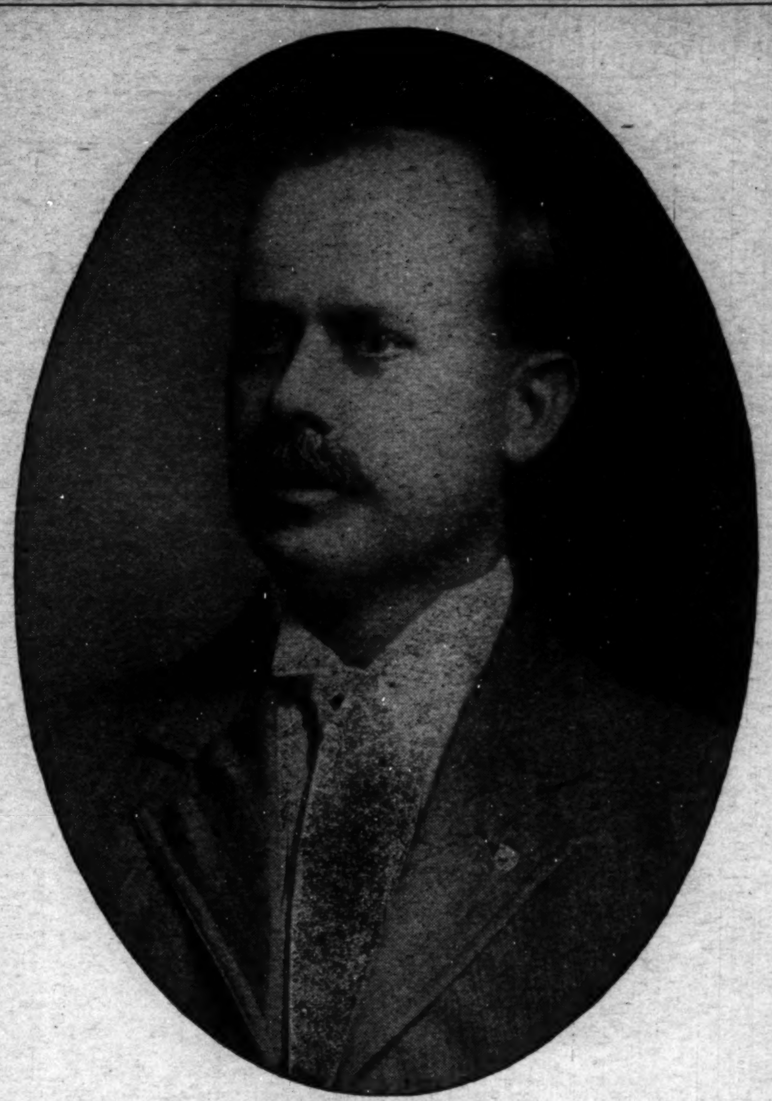
Reared and educated in a State that believes in human rights and in that State having shown his fitness and ability to administer justice under intricate circumstances, I feel assured that the cause of the Negro as a citizen in this country will be safe in his hands. While the present administration stock has been gradually declining with us, I desire to say to our President (Mr. Taft) that in the selection of Governor Charles E. Hughes for the Supreme Court bench administration stock takes a rise, and if Mr. Hughes proves to be what the common people of this country believe him to be, the common confidence in common justice to the common people as administered in a republican form of government will be greatly strengthened.

REV. H. J. CALLIS,
Pastor of Jones Tabernacle, A. M. E. Zion Church.

OUR PROBLEMS.

We have hard problems, it is true, but instead of despairing in the face of difficulties, we should, as a race, thank God that we have a problem. As an individual, I would rather belong to a race that has a great and difficult task to perform than be a part of a race whose pathway is strewn with flowers. It is only by meeting and manfully facing hard, tubborn and difficult problems that races, like individuals, are in the highest degree made strong.—Booker T. Washington.

These are sensible words from a sensible man and an able race leader. They are like "apples of gold in pictures of silver," a good antidote for Negro pessimists. Take a bushel measure of it three times a day, and in four days you will be better and changed into a race optimist. Get the habit! You may purchase this at Common Sense Store on the corner of Contentment. Mr. Sober-Mindedness is the proprietor. Call on him.



ASHER W. GRAY,
Candidate for Clerk of Marion County, subject to the Republican Primaries. He solicits your support.

Among the candidates for the nomination for clerk of Marion county we note the name of Asher W. Gray, a young business man. Mr. Gray has been connected with the jewelry store known as Gray, Gribben & Gray, located on Illinois street, for the past twenty-three years, Asher W. Gray being the junior member of the firm. He has been a taxpayer of Marion county for that length of time. Those who have had dealings with him say that he is an honest, affable gentleman, and are sure that if nominated and elected to the office of clerk of Marion county, he will conduct the office in a thorough, businesslike manner, he believing that a public office is a public trust, and that all taxpayers, from the laboring man to the wealthiest citizen, will receive courteous treatment from him and those connected with the office under him. Rotation in office does not always mean a well-conducted office, his friends say, but when the affairs of the county are carried on by a thorough business man, it will insure that all the affairs of the office will be in accord with his business training, thereby giving to the taxpayer satisfaction. His friends claim that if more business men were elected to office, there would be less dissatisfaction. Mr. Gray, in the event of his nomination and election, will devote his entire time to the manageemnt of the office. Many business men have declared for him and will rally to his support. This, with his wide acquaintance among the citizens in general, will make him a formidable and desirable candidate. He has our good wishes for his success.

ARE THE INSURGENTS TRAITORS?

Is the question being vigorously discussed by leading metropolitan press and President Taft and some of the members of his Cabinet. The debate is yet on, so we are unable to decide which wins—the Affirmative or the Negative. Our sympathies are with the insurgents, however.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. E. E. Knowles has just completed a handsome five-room cottage on Atlanta avenue for Mrs. Allie D. Myreck....Mr. W. C. Cowley has mived to his new home on 19th street....Mrs. Mary Robinson, who has been quite sick for several months, is improving....Mrs. William Moore, who has been quite ill for some time, is not improving....Birn, to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ruttan, on Monday, April 18, a fine girl.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE IN THE FREEMAN

Read this interesting letter, which has been received from distant Alabama by one of The Freeman's regular advertisers, the Indianapolis Gas Company:

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"Mrs. ———."

MINEOLA, TEX.

Special to T E FREEMAN.

F. R. Davis, of Columbus, O., landed here on April 9, 1910. He had been in Texas before this year. When he was here he called himself Dr. H. F. Davis. He is about five and one-half feet high, very dark; he has a cut place in his head, small scath on the right side of the nose and a scar on the same side. He wore a derby hat when he was here last week. Any information will be acceptable if addressed to Sandy Anderson, Mineola, Tex.

EL PASO, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The colored business men held a smoker at the new Manhattan Cafe Friday night, April 15. The evening pas passed with toasts and jokes. There were addresses by Toastmaster B. D. Perry, and I. R. Ford. An entertaining talk was given by Charley Brown, one of the Imperial Company, just from the Coast, with his fighting bulldog.

ERIE, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale and children have left the city....Mr. and Mrs. Singleton have left for Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to make their future home....A pretty wedding was solomnized in St. James A. M. E. Church on Wednesday evening, April 20, when Miss Marie E. Williams, one of Erie's esteemed young ladies, became the bride of Mr. William Brown. The Church was decorated with palms. Promptly at 8:30 soft strains of music were played while the wedding procession was ushered to the altar by Percival and Clarence Williams, brothers of the bride. Her niece, Miss Lucille Curtis, acted as bridesmaid, wearing a pale blue gown. Miss Clara Williams, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, wearing a beautiful gown of chiffon over soft blue silk with a long train. Both maids carried large arm bouquets of daisies tied with large blue ribbon. Rolland Williams, a brother, accompanied the groom. The bride entered the church leaning on the arm of her mother clad in a pretty gown made princess style of white silk moneceline desorte over cream silk and a long veil reaching to the hem of he rtrain and fastened back to the hair with sprays of lillies of the valley. Her arm boquette was of bride's roses and white carnations tied with a bow of moline with long ends. The house was tastefully decorated; one particular spot in front of the mantle was arched with mountain laurel embanked with palms, where the bride and groom received congratulations. Lunch was served in buffet style, the bride's table having here and there sprays of sweet peas and roses. At 2 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Brown left for Harrisburg, at which place they will make their future home. The out-of-town guest were Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Williams, Miss Clara Williams, Mrs. Garris and Mr. and Mrs. Branicks, of Youngstown, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis and Miss Sims, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Young, of Meadville, Pa. Rev. Young, of Meadville, officiated. Many beautiful and useful presents were received.

W. E. HOUSTON IN CHICAGO

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players and men of reputation. The team is a member of teh Intercity Baseball Association and the Park Owners' League. Mr. Spencer was the organizer of the Maroons and the Douglass Center team, that defeated the Herks, of Indianapolis, and the Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo., also the famous Ninth and Tenth Cavalry.

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Chicago is the home of Mrs. Ida Wells Barnett. She is known all over America for her very able articles that have appeared in various publications. She first came into public notice as a school teacher in the city of Memphis. During that time she took up newspaper work. It was in "The Living Way" that she acquired quite a reputation as a correspondent. She later wrote for the Detroit Plaindealer, Christian Index, The People's Choice, The Memphis Free Speech, Headlight. She was at one time assistant secretary of the National Press Association. No female writer or speaker of the race has been more widely quoted than Mrs. Barnett. She is also a platform speaker of great ability and is known as one of the strongest race advocates in America.

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The Chicago Mission and Industrial School, under the management of Rev. G. A. Oglesby, is doing a great work, especially along the line of uplifting and pointing our girls and boys, young men and women to a higher plane in life. It is the object of the institution to instruct their pupils in every way possible to the goal of pure morals and higher civilization. The classes in cooking, sewing, printing, etc., are supplied with able teachers, and many orphans and children of the poor people are given an opportunity to learn such trades which are necessities of life. It is the desire of the founder, Rev. G. A. Oglesby, to make this institution to the North what Tuskegee is to the colored people of the South, and to uplift fallen humanity, which is very much needed in such great cities as Chicago.

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Perhaps few if any cities in the country has the lead of Chicago in the matter of dress. This applies to the men as well as the women. There are several colored tailors in this city that are doing an excellent business. The leading business house along this line is that of William Adams, 2939 State street. He deals in imported and domestic woolens, also has connected with his establishment a cleaning and dyeing department.

Mr. Adams is one of the finest cutters in the city. He is an experienced tailor and makes upt-o-date and fashionable clothes. For the latest fad in tailoring the boys say that "Adams is the man." His business continues to grow and he merits the patronage of his patrons by giving the neatest and best workmanship, as well as the most stylish.

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Dr. Alexander Lane, First District Representative to the Illinois Legislature, is a member of the tuberculosis committee appointed by Governor Deneen. Dr. Lane stated that this committee meets weekly and makes investigations on the possibility of there being tuberculosis in cattle. This committee has power to summon experts along this line and the Board or Health. Ten thousand dollars has been appropriated to carry on the work.

The colored citizens of Chicago have been very fortunate in electing Dr. Lane two consecutive terms. He has proven to be a thorn in the side of all bills that were presented to the legislature which had for their aim a curtailment of the Negro's rights.

It is probable that Dr. Lane will be a candidate at the next election and his many friends are hopin gthat he will win out in the primary.

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The famous Fisk Jubilee Quartet gave a recital Tuesday night at the Institutional church, under the auspices of the Sunshine Circle, King's Daughters, No. 1. The program was rich and rare. Messrs. Work and J. A. Myers were among the feature of the evening.

The quartet hails from one of the greatest educational institutions in the country and it has been a specialty of the school to turn out singers and pianists of the richest sort. For years Fisk University has held the reputation of having the best musicians to graduate in the South and from the excellent work of the present quartet the reputation of the school has in no wise retarded. It is said that Mr. J. A. Myers, the reader and second tenor, stand pre-eminently in a class by himself as a reader of Paul Lawrence Dunbar's poems. It was last year when Mr. Myers appeared in the city of Louisville and scored a great hit by his perfect interpretation of Dunbar's poems.

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Mr. H. W. Rhea, an enterprising young citizen, has become widely known for his aptness in getting out annually a Negro Directory. In the last issue he records every man or woman that is engaged in some kind of business. The following are the statistics as taken from his directory: Barber shops, 36; bands and orchestras, 3; vigar manufacturers, 5; chiropodists, 11; confectioners, 6; carpenters and builders, 11; dentists 12; express, coal and ice dealers, 66; feed and coal dealers, 2; grocers, 22; lawyers, 42; manisurists and masseurs, 12; music teachers, 16; masons and plasterers, 11; physicians 44; real estate dealers, 17; restaurants, 19; saloons, 18; tailors, 15; undertakers, 7; churches, 22; halls, 7; Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Foresters, Elks are are among the strongest frtaernal organizations.

State street, one of the greatest streets in the country, is where most of the Negro enterprises are located. There is a keen competition between the Negro and the Jew. Racial loyalty is helping the Negro to hold his own.

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"Col." R. T. Motts has returned from a short visit at Excelsior Springs, Ma., and he reports a delightful trip. He declares that it is one of the best places in the country as a health resort. Mr. Motts is manager and proprietor of the leading Negro theater of the world. The policy of the theater is vaudeville, and this week's bill is a good one. Sirene Vevarro, the great dancer, was one of the best numbers of the evening. We have seen her several times with Tom Brown as character change artists, but on Monday night she worked alone. She sang a very catchy song, followed b yan artistic dance. Of the kind of work she does she is easily the cleverest on the stage. She has received plaudits and press notices from the East to the West.

She received continuous applause on Monday night and she will no doubt be given a royal reception the remainder of the week. The Musical Vers, a colored act, was very pleasing and entertaining. It went big and will draw crowds the remainder of the week. Glenroy and Russell entertained with Irish comedy and Sweeny and Rooney did some novelistic dancing. "In Temptation" was the sketch which closed the evening's amusement. Previous to vaudeville numbers a new set of moving pictures were shown. An animal show was also one of the big numbers during the week.

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Additional Stage News on Page Six.

W. A. Carter, of Carter's Jubilee Singers, was in the city Wednesday.

Fred Garland, the trombonist, closed his engagement with the 101 Ranch Wild West Show in this city, Monday.

The Watkins—Nancy L. and Billy—open on the Empire Exchange time, May 16. Regards to The Freeman staff.

Prof. R. Roy Pope, with his Annex Band, of the Ringling Bros.' Circus, opened the season at Danville, Ill., Thursday.

Henry W. Paschal is composer of four big song hits, and is also vocal director, interlocutor, clarinet virtuoso and saxaphone soloist of the Billy Kersands Minstrels.

Bonny and Freeman, singers, dancers and acrobats, are meeeting with their usual success throughout the West, appearing this week at the Bijou Family Theater, Great Falls, Mont.

McKenzie and Delaney are in their second week over the Independent time, last week at Bijou Theater, Manchester, N. H. Next week they will be at the Scenic Temple, Cambridge, Mass.

Alonzo Moore has just closed his show for the summer, having been very successful this season. He will tsart out in September under the management of the Mitchell Lyceum Bureau, for three years. Mr. Moore is a magician.

Mr. Harrison Blackburn, the Southern buck and wing dancer, of Dallas, Tex., is cleaning up at the Madison Square Garden, New York City, featuring one of his own songs, "Always Knocking on a Coon." Regards to the profession. John Tamnon and Al Boyd, write, care The Freeman.

The city of El Paso, Tex., has a colored band of sixteen pieces, managed by Mr. Wm. S. DeLester and led and instructed by Mr. Marcus L. Veal, of St. Louis. The aggregation met Tuesday night, when the organization was completed. An orchestra of seven pieces from the members of the band was also organized. Mr. De Lester, violinist, has charge of the orchestra.

BAD WEATHER PREVENTS BASEBALL GAME

A sudden change in the weather, followed by a snowstorm, stopped the opening game between the Leland Chicago Giants and the Bluff City Tigers, Sunday, April 24, at Memphis, Tenn. The Memphis fans say that Walter Ball (Steel Arm), Johnny Taylor and Cyclone Joe are undoubtedly the greatest and most sensational pitchers of the race, and that Chappie Johnson is the world's greatest of all colored catchers.

PEOPLE'S THEATER AT HOUSTON, TEX.

Wm. Benbow's Alabama Chocolate Drops opened a week's engagement at this theater to an S. R. O. house. The show made good from the jump. The company consists of ten hard workers: Miss Edna Landry, Miss Virginia Crawford, Miss Jessie Burney, Mrs. Gussie Love, Hubert Jones, Dave Perdue, Bubber White, Little Chuck the kid wonder, J. Paul Wyer and Wm. Benbow. Mr. Benbow says hello, Paul Carter. Texas is full of lemons. The company sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

C. W. MOSELEY TURNS HOUSE OVER FOR SICK PERFORMER.

Manager C. W. Moseley truned over the Pekin Theater for a benefit for Miss Grace Wells, of New York City, last Friday night. Miss Wells is a vaudeville performer, and has been ill in Norfolk for several months. All the vaudeville artists in the city took part in the show, which lasted from 11 p. m. until 1 a. m. All of the proceeds were given to Miss Wells, and she was sent home to New York. How many managers have done this for a sick performer? But remember that Mr. Moseley is a member of the C. V. B. A., the only member in Virginia.

BUSBY BUYS FRANK MAHARA'S INTERESTS

Secures Another Touring Car for Harrison Brothers.

Mr. J. W. Busby, a well-known showman, has purchased the Frank Mahara Minstrel car and other theatrical belongings, and has placed them with the Harrison Brothers, making it the finest equipped two-car show of the kind in existence. Mr. Busby has the reputation of being one of the most progressive and painstaking showmen in the country. He finds pleasure in making everything as pleasant as possible for his performers, believing that he can attain better results by so doing. It is said that he has bought out the theatrical properties of Frank Mahara.

FAMOUS THEATER IS PACKED NIGHTLY

ATLANTA, Ga., April 29.—The Famous Theater, of 124 Decatur street, is playing to packed houses nightly. Everybody is pleased with the show, and it is the talk of this town. Miss Blanche Russell, our dainty soubrette, after playing successfully for weeks with us has gone to Bainbridge to spend two weeks with her mother. Peter Porter, our stage manager, is still with us. Miss Millie Williams is still getting the applause. Miss Effie Means is the lady who has won many hearts here. Ethel Brown is another young lady who is making good. Mr. Daniels says, "Boys, I am cleaning up, and you know the rest." Peter Porter, the stage manager, sends regards and wants all friends to write him, as he can do you good.

"ABOARD 777 AND 888"—HARRISON BROS.' MINSTRELS.

The boys are all to be seen now on the streets with smiles all over their faces. A new Pullman car and new top make the company look brand new. Mr. W. M. Mack, an old trooper and band director, has been with us for quite a while, and his slow comedy keeps the boys going. Mr. Johnny Alford, our band comedian, never fails to bring down the band with his always new jokes. Mr. Jas. Shaw, our slow man, cannot be forgotten. Mr. Jas. Wallburg, the noisy man, is still making a hit with his sensational drumming on the streets. Mr. D. W. Batsell is our Peter Piper with the company, and his stories are gaining fame with the band. All are pleased to meet him. Mr. Chas. English is still "taking plenty of shoes," so he can "come after breakfast, bring along his luck, and leave before supper time." Mr. Brown is still trying to sit down in heaven. Mr. Singleton is trying to see if he can see his brother coming home. Mr. Jacob Warde is still inviting people to "come right in, sit right down and make themselves at home."

MISS CROSBY'S KINKIES VISIT HER OLD HOME

They Are Going Big in the State of Michigan.

Miss Oma Crosby's Kinkies, after having played twenty-two consecutive weeks in Canada, opened as a special attraction at Peru, Ind., Wallace Theater, Peru's largest playhouse, it being Miss Crosby's first appearance in her home town with her beautiful act. It is needless to say that she played to capacity at each performance. Miss Crosby had the pleasure of meeting Prof. P. G. Lowery and his company and band, and they had the pleasure of seeing the act, which they lauded to the skies. Miss Crosby wishes to send heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Beulah Ray White, and wishes her to write to Peru. Have important news for her. The Kinkies are closing a big bill, leaving them screaming, at the Temple Theater, Muskogee, Mich., this week. Bijou, Benton Harbor, will follow.

CLEVER BILLY YOUNG AND BUSTER M'DONALD.

TEKAMAH, Neb., April 24.—Billy Young and Buster McDonald just closed a successful engagement at the Gem Theatre, Carroll, Ia., under the Ted Sparks Amusement Company, with splendid recommendations from the local manager, Mr. Charles Luding, to the Sparks Association.

Clever Billy Young is now playing a single engagement at Tekamah, Neb., at the Lyric Theatre, under Harry Thompson Agency.

Buster McDonald is suffering from an attack of throat trouble, but as soon as he is convalescent, the pair will resume their routine of double work. Any mail will reach them at their headquarters, 1515 Davenport st., Omaha, Neb. Regards to all.

SAVOY THEATER, MEMPHIS, TENN.

The house is still doing a land office business, and Manager F. A. Barrasso is well pleased with the company. We more than held our own last week. The way Jas. Ransom and Ed Howard put on the Latonia handicap was a treat to the eye. Every member of the company is enjoying good health, with the exception of Prof. H. L. McGill, our orchestra leader, who was taken very ill Friday night, after the opening act, and had to be carried to his room; but his better half, Estella Harris, left the stage and went to the piano, and she held the house spell-bound. Ransom-Ransom are still doing things. Laura Smith, Mamie Johnson and Jas. Hamilton are holding their own. The Merry Howards are still going big. The Irvings, a comedy sketch team, opened Sunday week and are doing fine. Miss Estella Stovall, of Louisville, Ky., joins us this week. Our manager, Mr. Fred A. Barrasso, is framing up a big minstrel scream, which takes the road the first part of May, featuring James Ransom, the rising young comedian. The Savoy bunch says hello to all friends. Where are the Skinners, Vernon and Emma? The Ransoms say hello, Jerry Bornes.

THE PEKIN, NORFOLK, VA.

This popular little playhouse continues to be the leading vaudeville and picture house of Norfolk, Va. The S. R. O. sign is seen hanging out at every show, and every place you go you are asked the same question, Have you been to the Pekin? Well, to tell the truth, this little house presents the best bill of any house of its kind in this section. Manager Moseley being an old vaudevillian, he knows just what to get to please his patrons. This week he presents such vaudeville stars as Orr and Orr, of New York, who are the headliners, and such other people as Maggie Harvey, the Virginia nightingale; Pearl Ray, Mable Johnson and Bat Nelson, the eccentric dancing comedian, who is a newly found jewel in the vaudeville line. This all-star bill, with moving pictures, makes it the strongest ever presented in a picture house in this city, and to say the Norfolk theater-goers are going wild over it is putting it mild. The ever popular Pekin Band, under the direction of Prof. Seymour, is still playing popular airs in the lobby of the theater, to the delight of its many patrons. The orchestra is also doing fine under the leadership of Prof. Eugene Landum. Well, as the man in white never fails to show up on time, the Pekin crowd is one happy and lovable bunch, from the manager down to the ushers, and they extend regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Manager and Mrs. C. W. Moseley and C. W. Moseley, Jr., visited this week at Baltimore, the guests of Mrs. Thos. R. Smith. Mr. Moseley also visited Philadelphia, to see the Langford-Ketchel fight, then to New York, where he was the guest of the C. V. B. A. Mr. Moseley thinks that this organization is one of the greatest of the Negro race.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., THEATRICAL NOTES.

The show business continues to boom in Florida. Jacksonville has three show shops and Pensacola two. At the Airdome Theater this week you will find a splendid bill. The show opens with a big musical comedy melange, lasting about 45 minutes, entitled "Two Hustlers," headed by Slim Henderson and Paul Carter, supported by the entire company, including Lew Kenner, John Lewis, W. J. Ellis, Miss Carrie Hall, Miss Viola Stewart, Miss Ada Fisher, Miss Hester Kenton and others. This is another one of Marion Brooks' one-act arrangements. Mr. Brooks is like a short-story writer; he brings out the story of his plays in one act and gets all his comedy situations, songs, etc., without breaking the little plot on which the story runs. The "Two Hustlers" is a very funny sketch, and keeps the house in an uproar all through. Miss Hall and Miss Fisher, assisted by Miss Stewart and Miss Kenton, do a clever singing, talking and dancing act in the olio. This act is also staged by Marion Brooks, and is conceded by the audience as a positive hit. They take two and three curtains at the finish. The clever monologist, Paul Carter, follows this act at the Airdome, and when Mr. Carter gets through talking and singing his parodies, from the manner in which he leaves them roaring, one would think the show was all over, but it takes up new again with the entrance of Miss Hester Kenton, in a singing and dancing act; she hands out the bunch that the rest of the act does. The show then closes with a very funny sketch staged by Miss Hall, with Paul Carter and Lew Kenner, herself doing the comedy, supported by the entire company. The sketch is called "The Ragtime Opera Company." Look out["I am Jacksonville bound." Billy Earthquake is coming back to the Airdome Theater in about a week. "Use your own judgment." Marion Brooks, the producing manager at the Airdome, will leave in a week or so to open some parks. His address will continue at the Airdome, where he is establishing a colored vaudeville exchange. All mail should be addressed to that theater, the same as in the past.

WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY CO. SPEND SUNDAY HERE

Homer Tutt Enjoys Pleasant Time with Old-Time Friends.

The Whitney Musical Comedy Company spent a few hours in the city last Sunday, on their way to Shelbyville, where they play a return date. Messrs. Tutt Whitney and Homer Tutt, who are heading the company, were kept busy receiving old friends and acquaintances at The Freeman office during their stay. Every member seemed to be in a healthy state and gave evidence of much prosperity. That is, you could tell that the ghost had not only been walking, but alsa running in a very enjoyable way of late. As they came down Indiana avenue, a thoroughfare that has become the real "Dehomey Stroll" of this city, it was lined with admirers who recognized some one of the members of the company as "being from down home."

The lay-over was especially a glorious one to Mr. Homer Tutt, as he used the very precious moments in a very valuable way. Mr. Tutt spent the greater part of his boyhood days here, and it was only natural that he should enjoy visiting old schoolmates, chums and "that old sweetheart of mine." The dramatic editor of The Freeman grew very much mystified and surprised when he met Mr. J. J. Weaver, one of Mr. Whitney's main supports, with a face full of smiles and a new feminine face hanging on his arm. He never saw Mr. Weaver look so happy, and when others were questioned they declared they had never seen him look so gay in years. But finally it was discovered that one of Texas' fairest flowers had consented to become Mrs. Weaver, and not only that, but had come all the way from Texas to Indiana to prove it, and Mr. Weaver had settled everything by getting the knot tied. And they have lived happily ever afterwards.

NEW YORK CITY AND C. V. B. A. NOTES.

John W. Cooper is in Troy, N. Y.

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The Boldens are at Portland, Me.

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The Smart Set is in Pittsburg, Pa.

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Rastus and Banks are in Scotland.

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Mickells and Bradford are at Buffalo.

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Jones and Sutton are at Philadelphia.

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Jones and Rogers are at Newburg, N. Y.

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The Brittons are working on good time.

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Brother Bob Slater has been indisposed.

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Cole and Johnson are in Atlantic City.

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Housley and Nickols are at the Crescent.

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Clermonto and Miner are in Newark, N. J.

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Scott Joflin is still working on his opera.

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The Watermelon Trust is in Boston, Mass.

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Detective Harry Haines is still on the job.

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The Marshalls are at the Atlantic Garden.

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S. H. Dudley will open soon in Newark, N. J.

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Copeland and Phillips are at Falls River, Mass.

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Tom Fletcher is a very busy man these days.

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The Dixie Serenaders are laying off for a week.

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Joe Britton says to the brothers, "How's that?"

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Copeland and Phillips are at New Bedford, Me.

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The Fletchers are at the Empire, Hoboken, N. J.

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Bob Slater has just returned from a business trip.

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Williams, Elkens and Williams are at the Crescent.

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Henry Troy and his four are at Atlantic City, N. J.

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Al Bryan is playing the Imperial Theater, Jersey City.

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Henry Troy's Barber Shop Quintette is at Reading, Pa.

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Mrs. Al Bailey has recovered from a recent illness.

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The Claybrooks are at Carbondale, Pa., topping the bill.

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The Whangdoodle Comedy Four are in town once more.

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Ray and Williams are playing Keenie's Theater, Brooklyn.

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All brothers who are in arrears will please send in their dues.

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John W. Cooper is at Keith & Proctor's 125th Street Theater.

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Frank Clermont and Miner have just returned from Albany.

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Gordon and Keyes are in town, after a six months' absence.

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Joe Moore opens at Huter's Fourteenth Street Theater, May 2.

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Billy Ward plays Boston this week, with seventeen weeks to follow.

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The Watermelon Trust stopped the show at the American Music Hall.

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Rose Fox and her "Picks" are at the 185th Street Theater, New York.

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Vaughner, Patterson and Halliday scored big at Pawtucket, R. I., last week.

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Brother Walter Goodette is very ill. His address is No. 15 West 137th street.

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The Dixie Serenaders are at the Alhambra Theater, and are over-making good.

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The Black Patti troupe are doing great work in Newark, N. J., where they are to close.

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Mrs. Lena Shadney, of the team of McKissick and Shadney, has been indisposed for a week.

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Bert A. Williams is a scream at Hammerstein's this week. His engagement began on the 11th.

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John Rucker and James Burris are playing Montreal, Canada, Buffalo and Rochester, N. Y.

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Misses Mamie Ferber and Ethel Cole are doing well, working regularly on Mr. Bob Slater's time.

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The Dunmores, E. Dabney and J. W. Jeffrey played Ebing Theater, 156th and 3rd, for Bob Slater.

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Brother J. M. Moore's New Orleans Minstrels will open soon at Shubert's Fourteenth Street Theater.

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A body of C. V. B. A.'s met Brothers Byrd, Gus Hall and Bojay, of the Patti show, Thursday.

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A new theater will open in Washington, D. C., next week, with Ford Dabney as manager and Bob Slater booking agent.

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Housley and Nicholas are at the Unique Theater, New York City, this week. The Reese brothers are on the same bill.

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Bob Slater has booked Mrs. Ella Anderson and Mr. Andrew Triffles in a new novelty act to Washington, Philadelphia and Wilmington, Del.

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Dunsmore and Bailey, Jeffrey and Hudson, and Sanford McKissicks played for a big benefit at the Casino, this city, Thursday, April 21.

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The Jeffreys are with Gains and Brown's Colored Comedy Company for the summer. Brothers, please call on Harry Jackson and get your cards.

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The Barnum and Bailey shows have twenty-five colored people in their side show. With them are Bradley and Miller. Bradley is a member of the C. V. B. A.

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Bert Williams is springing a large number of real song hits since entering on his vaudeville engagement. His very latest is "If I Should Die Before I Wake, How Will I Know I'm Dead?"

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Brothers Jeffrey and Dunmore and a large number of other members of the C. V. B. A. visited our sick brother, Walter Goodette, at his home, 15 West 137th street, Department 12.

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We are pleased to say that we have a quartette on Broadway who are all members of the C. V. B. A. They are Arthur Payne, 'celloist and basso; Arthur Jackson, pianist and baritone; Frank Bush, mandolinist and second tenor, and Henry W. Stout, violinist and tenor. They are playing at the Marlborough Hotel.

SMOKEVILLE SHOW TROUPE.

—By Miller and Lyles.—

If you see anybody that wants to start a show troupe, tell them we say, forget it. It's more trouble than it's worth. The people always want advance money. Our star comedian got a dime from us six times to get his laundry out. Now, just suppose he quits; don't you see, we'd be sixty cents loser, and would go to jail because we'd commit murder. These people around here are by a show troupe like they are by a cigar—it must have a band. We hired old peg-leg Charlie Williams to play the fife, and borrowed the big drum from the white K. of P.'s (you know we stand good in this town), then told Ice Cream Jimmy he could beat the drum. But Pig Ankle Charlie came along and asked if he couldn't beat it, and he is so much bigger than ourselves, we couldn't refuse him; and that started a row between him and Ice Cream Jimmy, and during the mix-up Pig Ankle Charlie hit Jimmy over the head with Charlie Williams' peg leg and broke it (the peg leg), therefore that broke up the band. We paid $1.50 for 200 bills and sent them out by a kid, and he took them down to Bynum's barber shop and sold them for shaving papers for 10 cents. Tell Carter and Bluford that we are going to use some of their jokes. What I am trying to do is to produce all new ideas, but at the same time nothing original. Somebody wrote us that Harry Brown was working for Morris (Nelson Morris, I reckon). That's right, Harry; if you can't make it on the stage, go back to the stockyards. But I'd rather work for Armour than Morris. Well, we have no hero now. The minute we advertised him in the paper the sheriff of the next town found out where he was and came and got him. Oh, yes, this Pig Ankle Charlie ain't no good; can't do nothing, and always carries a blackjack in his pockets, so you see we can't fire him. So what must we do about it? You see, we want to get rid of him. Is Tom Brown a Chinese impersecutor? We'd try to get him, but we don't want anybody persecuting nobody in our troupe. Everybody must attend to their own business but us, and we're the boss. We start next week or bust, and in our next letter we positively will tell you how it happened.

KING & BAILEY BRING BILL UP TO STANDARD

Save St. Paul Theater from Losing Its Reputation for Having Good Shows.

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 28.—King and Bailey and the "Chocolate Drops" were on the boards here at the Majestic Theater, the week of the 18th, and they were the hit of the bill. Every daily in the city pronounced their act the best seen here this season. One went so far as to say that they saved the bill from being a rank one. It says:

"Without King and Bailey and their 'Chocolate Drops' the bill at the Majestic Theater this week would be light. The colored troupe, in its 'ragtime,' is full of life, and is easily the most entertaining act on the bill. King and Bailey, late with Williams and Walker, are assisted in their singing and dancing by four colored girls. The company sings several new songs.

"Clever Conkey opens the bill with a juggling act. He is billed as the humorous genius who has made the world laugh. He didn't make the Majestic audience laugh so very much Monday afternoon.

"Enid James sang 'In the Garden of My Heart,' and was well received.

"The Brownies & Co. in a comedy entitled 'The War Is Over,' reecived some applause for their efforts.

"Harry Turkey Boyd, in a song and story, failed to make a very marked impression, and although up to this time the bill had dragged considerably, King and Bailey, last on the program, stirred things up, bringing up the average of the bill."

BERT WILLIAMS THE TALK OF NEW YORK

Premier Comedian a Great Hit in Vaudeville at Hammerstein's.

That Bert A. Williams is the talk of New York in theatrical circles goes without uestion, if you can believe the leading white dailies of the great city. The greatest critics of the country are proclaiming this fact. To use the term of words used by enthusiastic theater-goers, "He is a riot["

Mr. Williams, it seems, has sent the big stars of the real high-class vaudeville headliner row awhirl in amazement over his new act. They are all asking, Where did he get it and how did he get it? Everything he is using is a sensation because it is new, ogirinal and full of sure-enough wit and humor. He has got the songs and the stories that the public has been wanting to hear for some great while, and therefore he is the rage—or the lion of the hour. Of course, they want him for three weeks longer in the most famous vaudeville house in New York, and so the contract has been rewritten. The New York Variety, one of the best known theatrical publications in New York, has the following to say of the act:

"With a routine of talk and songs entirely new, Bert Williams has again demonstrated his unlue ability of making pure delight out of materials that in other hands would be commonplace. He has two stories that are veritable gems, as well as two characteristic 'coon' songs guaranteed to win a hearty laugh from the most blase. He opens with a comic 'I'll Lend You Anything,' which should have a place of honor near the finish in company with the ditty, 'Believe Me,' which is used at the close. The yarn about the 'African Dodger' is a capital bit of humor, but the yarn about a colored circuit preacher is probably a more intimate bit of Southern Negro story. Both are altogether delightful as told by Williams. It is not likely that any one else could get them over. A 'Chantecler' song won applause and laughter, and several numbers with which Williams has become identified filled in the rest of the act. At Hammerstein's Williams was an immense success. The net result of his Monday night appearance was encore after encore until he had exhausted his repertoire and a speech of thanks at the end."

THOSE MIGHTY CUBS DEFEAT THE SPRUDELS.

West Baden Loses by a Bad Decision of the Umpire.

WEST BADEN, Ind., April 23.—The West Baden Sprudels and Louisville Cubs played their first game of the season on April 22, the score ending 6 to 4 in favor of the Cubs. It was an interesting game from start to finish, and was practically lost by a very bad decision of Umpire Cayenne Johnson. With a runner going home, and a runner making it for second base, Mr. "Ump" gazed at home plate, while Manager Taylor taged, hugged and picked up Griffin's cap, and excused himself, ten feet from second base. Mr. "Ump" didn't see what could be done, and it was the third out. West and Collings did the battery work for Louisville, while Taylor and Watts furnished the guessing for the Sprudels. Both bateries did good work and had excellent support.

The out field on both sides took down some balls that looked uterly impossible.

One of the best hits of the season was made by Lewis, the big first baseman for the Sprudels; the ball left the bat and never raised two feets above the center field fence, and hit about thre inches from the top.

The Sprudels will play the Cubs in Louisville May 1. The score:

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EDW. H. ROGERS.

EAST TEXAS LADS SHUT OUT PHILLIPS UNIVERSITY

Special to THE FREEMAN:

TYLER, Tex., April 29.—The young men of East Texas Academy and Phillips University played a strong game of baseball last Thursday. The lads of East Texas Academy realized that the Phillips University was really in a sure-enough way—in earnest. The result was that the East Texas "fellers" made 9 points of the law of the game and left Phillips University with a big round goose egg.

CHICAGO GIANTS OUTSTRIP MOBILE.

Leland's Men Cleverly Defeat the Dixie Park Boys.

MOBILE, Ala., April 28.—The Chicago Leland Giants and Dixie Park Mobile club played to one of the largest crowds of the season, despite the cool weather. Ladies came out in large numbers and had the day been fair, we are sure the grandstand and bleachers would have been overloaded. The article of baseball put up by the Giants was, in a manner speaking, very classy. Individually, each member on the club demonstrated to the lovers of the game that they are among the topnotchers of any class of men in the national American game today. Mr. Frank C. Leland can feel very proud of having kept and selected the team which will give any real basebal team a contest which would be worth time spent watching the great team work. Major Jackson was with the team during their stop at Mobile.

The Giants won the game by a score of 8 to 0. The batteries of the team of the visitors were: Norman and Taylor, pitchers; Johnson and Pettus, catchers.

The Dixie Parks battery was: Collins and Turner; and Thomas umpire. The Chicago Giants stopped at Mrs. M. J. Summerville's, 172 Davis avenue, during their stay in Mobile.

Messrs. Green, Norman, Pettus, Talbert and the trainer, Mr. Coleman, spent several days in Mobile.

PENSACLOA TAKES THREE STRONG GAMES.

Mobile Suffers a Complete Shut-Out.

PENSACOLA, Fla., April 27.—The fans of this city witnessed a fine game of baseball between the Pensacola Giants and Mobile Giants. Three games were played, of which the locals won each one. Score for the first game was 10 to 3; for the second was 9 to 5, and for the third, 3 to 1.

FLORIDA BASEBALL NOTES.

Joe Scotland is holding down first for the Pensacola Giants.

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O you Pierce! With Pierce pitching for the Pensacolas, the season looks good for them.

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The Mississippi Giants, of West Point, will play the Pensacola Giants, May 2, 3 and 4. A large attendance is expected.

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ROUTE.

PROF. R. ROY POPE'S ANNEX BAND, EN ROUTE WITH RINGLING BROS.' CIRCUS—St. Louis, Mo., week of May 1.

KING AND BAILEY, FEATURING WILLIAMS AND WALKER'S CHOCOLATE DROPS—Grand Family Theater, Fargo, N. D., week of May 2.

MILLER AND LYLES—Grand Theater, Brainerd, Minn., week of May 2.

FIVE LICORICE STICKS, WITH NETTIE GLENN, UNDER PERSONAL DIRECTION OF BLACK CARL—Orpheum Theater, Titusville, Pa., May 2, 3 4; Family Theater, Kayne, Pa., 5, 6, 7.

P. G. LOWERY'S ANNEX BAND, WITH WALLACE-HAGENBECK CIRCUS — Coshocton, O., May 1, 2; Canton, 3; Alliance, 4; Youngstown, 5; Newcastle, Pa., 6; Sharon, Pa., 7.

WILLIAM McCABE'S GEORGIA TROUBADOURS—Freeport, Minn., April 30, May 1, 2; Sandstone, May 3, 4, 5; Two Harbors, 6, 7, 8.

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The Whitney Musical Comedy Company will play Shelbyville, Ind., all of this week.

Clever Billy Young writes that he is doing well at Omaha, Neb., and wishes to hear from Tim Owsley.

Belle Davis and her picks are appearing at the Majestic Theater, Chicago, and is said to be making a great hit.

The Georgia Company did not appear at the Colonial Theater of this city last week as that theater is in the hands of the receiver.

The Cameraphone Theater if Omaha, Neb., is a new playhouse lately opened. The proprietors are Krupp & Aronson, and M. M. Aronson is the manager. The theater is located at 1403 Douglass street.

McIntyre & Meath, the well-known white comedians, who are starring "In Hayti" this season, say that there are twelve different Negrodialects spoken in this country, and that they have command of that number.

The Carters, Paul and Mamie, the singing and dancing comedian and sweet-voiced soprano, began a four weeks' engagement last week at the Famous Theater, Atlanta, Go. Regards to Thomas and Lizzie and Lizzie Thompson, the Moores, Chintz and Ella, and P. G. Lowery.

Bert A. Williams, who is now in vaudeville, has a number of new songs. Two if them are "Some Folks Call It Chanticleer, but It's Just Plain Chicken to Me," and "I'll Lend You Anything but My wife, and I'll Make You a Present of Her." In all he sings six songs.

Mr. E. D. Lee, a well-known man to the theatrical profession throughout the country, will leave here shortly for Jacksin, Tenn., where he will take charge of the Pekin Theater, now owned by William Blakley of 608 Lane avenue. It is Mr. Lee's intention to make this theater a first-class one in every particular.

Prof. Bismark Ferris and his famous satisfied musical enterprise arrived in Trenton to join the Buffalo Bill famous shows. They are playing some famous parts in the big arena. Our band has made a decided hit. They have a band of twenty real musicians, and a ten-piece orchestra. They opened in New York City at the Madison Square Garden April 25 for two weeks' engagement.

During the stay of the Richards & Pringle Minstrels in St. Liuis, Mo., C. P. Jones, the famous piccolo player, and several members of the minstrels were highly entertained by Mrs. Rachael Jones and mother, Mrs. Martin. The following members of the troupe were present: Messrs. Simpson, Daniels, Gaines, Langford, Dave Smith, Jake Smith and Tom White. Mesdames Simpson and Daniels, who are visiting their husbands, were also present. Several residents if St. Louis were also present, including Mr. and Mrs. Helms and son Eddie, Miss Williams and Mrs. Stewart. A jolly tim ewas had and everyone voted Mrs. Jones and mother the best of hostesses.

STAR ACTRESS WINS BIG PRIZE.

Receives Diamond Brooch in Popularity Contest.

NEW YORK, April 28.—Mrs. Aida Overton Walker has received a beautiful diamond brooch valued at $500 as a prize for winning second place in District F in the New Yirk Journal's $50,000 popularity contest for actresses.

FIDDLER AND SHELTON AT SALT LAKE CITY.

Harry Fiddler and Byron Sheltin, two colored comedians, ably present one of the best acts seen on the circuit this season in which were colored members. The act is clean and refined and yet filled with much comedy. Shelton plays the piano and sings; Fiddler sings and impersonates. His impersonation of the President was good.—The Daily Standard, Ogden, Utah, April 18.

PEKIN THEATER—SAVANNAH, GA.

The bill is a positive hit from start to finish. When one asks Manager W. J. Stiles how is the show this week his answer is, "It's all to the mustard."

It opens with the Moores, Crintz and Ella, in a laughing fifteen-minute skit. Mr. Moore as a comedian is clever. The audience proved that fact by the way it applauded. The gowns that Mrs. Moire wears throughout the show are really stunning.

Billy Murray, talking and dancing comedian, made the gallery gods fairly howl with his funny sayings and crazy dancing.

Then came the riot act, Conley and Taylor in music, comedy and songs. Mr. Conley as a comedian made them scream, while Miss Jennie Taylor as a musician surpasses any that Savannah has ever heard. Her cornet silos brought encore after encore.

The show closes with another one of Tim Owsley's laughing comedies, "A Darktown Picnic," with Henry Jennings and Chintz Moore doing opposite comedy, assisted by Elise Jennings. Mr. Jennings as a comedian is one if the best in his line, while his wife Elsie is a real character artist. Between the three in the comedy roles the act is a scream. Mr. Owsley is fast winning his way in the hearts of the Pekin audiences as an author, comedian and a producer.

The musical end is being conducted by Prof. William A. Robinson, late of the Richards & Pringle Georgia Minstrels. The Pekin Orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Ribison has reached the point where the audience gathers early in order to hear the standard overtures that they render nightly.

Manager Stiles is being highly commended on the shows and music.

A YOUNG MAN'S REMARKABLE WORK

The Story of a Man Who Is Doing a Great Work for Humanity—And Is Beloved By All.

(By W. J. LaCroix.)

Perhaps no living man has more real, true, sincere friends and admirers than Hon. W. G. Critchlow, the young man who organized the I. L. U. Society, and who is now it sgrand president.

It was only eight years ago that President Critchlow gave up his work with the national labor organizations and founded the great I. L. U. Society for the uplift of the people. His theory was that there are thousands of good men and good women in America who are trudging along life's path in the rut of despair—who have lost their nerve—and who with a word of encouragement, a warm, hearty handshake and a "slap on the back" from a friend woh is a friend, who has their real interest at heart, will regain courage, start in a new path, brace up, make money and progress.

"Many of these people," said Mr. Critchlow to the writer, "have great ability, but they need help, uplift, cheer. That is what we are doing for our fifty-seven thousand members today, and that is what we do for one another. We help each other in sickness, in misfortune, in finding employment, in taking care of our widows and our children. We help each other to learn, to make money, to progress, to succeed and to be better men and better women. Everyone of our members can make a good living right in our lodge work if they choose.

"The I. L. U. Society has for its object the advancement and betterment and protection of all of its members. Neither politics, religion, sex, nationality nor occupation, whether high or low, rich or poor, will bar anyone from enjoying the great privileges, rights, benefits and protection."

What President Critchlow and this great organization has already done for the people would take volumes to chronicle, and only the I. L. U. members can truly appreciate the great and glorious work this young man has taken upon himself to perform.

That he is doing good is proven by the enormous growth of the organization, which, as has been said before now, has nearly 60,000 members and is but eight years old.

President Critchlow will gladly send free literature, describing and explaining the great work of the I. L. U. Society, to anyone who will address him in care of the Grand Lodge, 288 I. L. U. building, Dayton, O.

Editorial Note—Men or women seeking employment or wishing to earn extra money in spare time, whether members or not, are invited to send their names to President Critchlow, who will give all an opportunity to earn a livelihood in aiding him in his work.

BUTTE, MONT.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The A. M. E. Methodist church gave a turkey dinner, Thursday evening, for the raising of money for the plastering of the basement of the church. Mrs. Buller was chairman of the supper committee.... Mrs. M. Palmer, of this city, is suffering very severely from brutal treatment she received from her husband. The affair is causing excitement in the city....Mrs. Sarah Fagan Thursday evening entertained the young folks at Roller Rink. Everybody spent a pleasant evening, returning at ten minutes to eleven to the city....Bethel Baptist Literary gave an enjoyable dinner for all. The debating subject was, "Which is More Beneficial to the Country, the Bible or the Newspaper." The debate will not be decided until next Tuesday evening....THE FREEMAN can be secured every Tuesday at 227 S. Dakota street from Miss Wilson, agent in the city. Phone No. 1102-Y, Bell.

GREAT OPPORTUNITIES OF THE SOUTHWEST.

Realizing that here we have a great country full of possibilities for our people and affording an excellent opportunity for investment, it is iur purpose to place before the race the actual conditions which obtain throughout the Territory of Arizona. We have a magnificent climate, good conditions, good wages and fine farming land. We are inclined to think that our peiple do not know this western country, especially Arizona, in its true light. Eastern papers do not print much matter concerning these outlying states and territories, and few western papers enter the homes of our people en masse. Few know of the immense opportunities afforded by this growing ciuntry. Here in our little city of Phoenix we have a fair population of 22,000, situated in the midst of the Salt river valley, owning its own water supply for domestic use. Good schools, many churches, four strong banks, three daily papers, briad, level streets, handsome residences. There are over two hundred pieces of property owned by our people. There is no better city in this country for investment. Property is reasonable now, but growing more valuable each day. We are surrounded by a great farming ciuntry, from which Phoenix draws her strength commercially. Farmers among our people could do so very well here. Mother Earth does not discriminate; she yields to her hons regardless of color or previous cindition. All can share in her bounty; good crops for work given. I am impressed that for people of our race living among uncongenial surroundings, hampered by prejudice, this is a great chance to better their condition. Cime west, help build up a great country and become a factor in western development, else these opportunities will be lost to us for lack of energy.

We need more of our best people iut here—law-abiding citizens, full of a desire to live honorably and be a credit to the community in which they live. This is a young country along agricultural lines. We have here excellent soil, which is, of course, the farmer's first concern. It seems inly recently that climate has also been considered a necessary factor in farming. Farmers have been known always to tell good soil and to prize it, but here we have both an ideal climatic condition, coupled with broad, rich acres of land. We have here a ling growing season, where spring begins in January and lasts with very slight variations until November. The stimulus of the climate is acknowledged by the crop and the growers of the crops. The little girl who puzzled over the two words often heard used finally decided that weather was just what happened, while climate was that which went on all the time, and in that sense this valley has but little weather, but a growing climate nearly all the year round. It is inly a matter of keeping a little wetness on top. Irrigation has built Phoenix and other towns in this valley. Here we have the Roosevelt dam, the largest irrigation project in America. There is here no precarious dry farming; evaporation is too great. There are in the valley 75,000 acres covered with alfalfa. One can see the canals running full if water through the fields in every direction. Beets are harvested in June, and corn planted in July. The slight rainfall never interferes with the harvest. There are numbers of desirable homesteads still remaining. On ten acres of land a man can support himself and family, live independently and lay up in store against a rainy day. The climate for nine months is as near perfect as can be wished for. The summer months are very warm, yet owing to the lack of moisture not nearly so bad as sime have pictured; the mild, dry atmosphere seems to bring relief and in many cases cures consumption and other complaints. One seems to grow in health each day and even now there are many sleeping out of doors. We feel it our duty to send this sketch of this great country to which we wish our people to come and feel assured that by their coming they will be benefited. One of the most progressive enterprises in our midst is the Colored American Realty, which will see to the employment of those who come and will sell or rent to them desirable property and help them in every way possible. There are two flourishing churches here, the African Methodist Episcopal, pastored by Rev. H. Franklin Bray, and the Second Baptist, pastored by Rev. W. R. Burgess. Either of these gentlemen will be glad to furnish the proof of the truthfulness of al the above.

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SOME MODERN REDEMPTIONS AND DELIGHTFUL DAMNATIONS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We as a race find ourselves today living a new life, webbing out in a curious way, a peculiar piece of an amalgamated history which is continually recoiling but not repeating itself as yet.

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In fact, we have become so Americanized that we are wel-nigh "smart and crazy." I agree when Prof. Kelley Miller and Booker T. Washington said that "It is time the Negro should cease soliciting sympathy because of his color."

The revolutions of our progress in the last forty years have been so rapid that several cogs have been slipped in our haste to reach the goal of what is called modern redemption or to become Americanized. But those of us who are strolling this rugged path of modern methods and American antics, encountering, as we hasten on, large and small stones of fortunes and misfortunes, impeding our progress, some of them, to what we believe to be modern happiness, only awake to find ourselves, after reaching the bubble we have so long chased, to be enjoying bitter sweets of delightful damnations, which must sooner or later explode, dealing its results, the consequences of which are more bitter than death itself.

We are not today as we were yesterday, and to explain our new position or give a rule for our rapid progress, we are helpless. We have become so very much Americanly-amalgamated (excuse the expression) that some of us find ourselves confronting dangers and shouldering responsibilities of which we a few years ago dreamed not.

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It is the chasing of money, the prevailing American mania, which blinds many of us to all else. Study the faces of some of the men who are hitting the grit of this path of what they believe to be their redemption of these modern times. Many of them have, after struggles, strains and suering fallen with a great roll and tumble, by desperate efforts high made, over the line and piled up their score. See if you can find genuine contented happiness on any of their faces.

Some of them have had hope enough to fall upon their knees and cry to High Heaven for help, and could the utterances of their very souls be heard it would be a very sad story, smacking much of Knawles wrecked and saved.

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Many of us are overreaching our fellows by the aspirations of sleepless nights, grinding and troublesome days, pinching and skimping and at times cheating during transactions of anxious moments when honest methods should be the watchword and confidence secured. I ask you, dear readers, do you find happiness written upon any of these drawn, hardened countenances? Do you fancy that living a swift, modernized life, which the dollar sign shines ever over, is there any room o rtime for the sympathy, the kindness, the enjoyment of the world that go to make up real happiness.

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The desire for money is legitimate and honorable, and an evidence of good sense on the part of the man who desires it. In fact, but little can be done for one's self or others without it. But those of us who have become so Americanized and who pursue it for itself alone, sacrificing self-respect, honor, home and manhood for the sake of adding to a hoard that can never be enjoyed, are paying but a little respect to the principle and imprint thereon.

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It seems incredible that some of us who can find in the world around us plenty of congenial employment and wide opportunities for thought should be so desperately discontented that we break into the clique of others with bogus gossip dealing wounds that even time has failed to cure. Yet there are some communities, small as they are, that have their aspirants for the rediculous called "social position," which issues a license to drink dyed teas and royal moxies of various complexions, and talk trifles with empty-headed persons whose only claim to distinction is that they are "exclusive."

But to gain their exclusiveness there has been a wreck left somewhere. Hearts have been wrung, wives and daughters are bowed down in grief; the inside of many homes has been the scene of desperate struggles; many a woman in the bloom of her life has been forced to submission, smiles and insults, sacrifices of convenience and comfort, all to gain for a silly daughter, a dangerous husband or idle son a place in society.

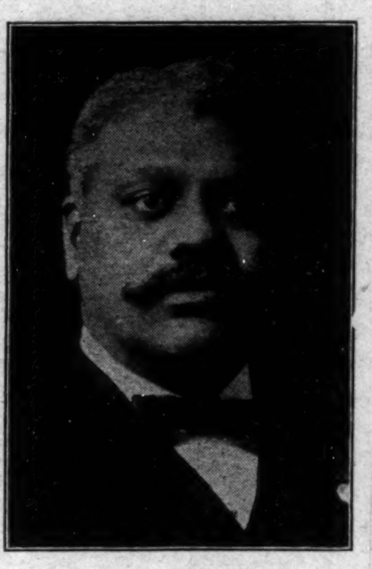
"We fondly dream of what is not,
And wake to weep over our sad lot."

REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS AND HIS ACHIEVEMENTS.

Starlight Talks of Politics in Ohio.

While here several days ago, Mr. A. D. Boyd, a well-known politician of Cleveland, O., discussed the doings in politics in the State of Ohio in a very breezy way. He told of the bill introduced in the Legislature by the Hon. H. T. Eubanks, the Negro member from Cuyahoga county, compelling the sheriff of any county in Ohio to do his duty in case of mob violence or be immediately discharged from office, and how it was received by the Senate and passed by a unanimous vote, the bill having passed the House, requiring only the signature of the Governor to become a law.

"What is most surprising to me is the stand that Charley Otis, president of the Cuyahoga Telephone Company, would muster up the courage to make a fight on such a man as Henry Eubanks. In his editorials he finds space to criticize Mr. Eubanks because he voted in favor of the Elson bill. It is amusing to note that Otis and the J. P. Morgan interests would knock the Elson bill and ridicule Eubanks for voting for it. But Eubanks is for the people and he is fighting for the people. Otis represents the trust combines and is, therefore, fighting against the people's interests. This man Otis is spending a great deal of money in order to defeat this bill, which means much to every citizen of the State of Ohio.



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BY HAROLD C. McGATH.

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THE WEST BADEN SPRUDELS—C. J. Taylir, West Baden, Ind.

THE MOSS POINT GIANTS—Judge Pope, Box 234, Moss Point, Miss.

PENSACOLA IS DEFEATED.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—The Pensacola High School was defeated by a score of 9 to 5 by the East Hill Specials, last Friday.

THE LELAND GIANTS' TRIP.

A full account of the Leland Giants' spring practice trip will be published in these columns on the return of the champions to Chicago to play the opening game of the Chicago City League.

MOSS POINT GIANTS BATTLE WITH LELANDS.

MOSS POINT, Miss., April 28.—The Moss Point Giants played the Chicago Leland Giants here Saturday and the Lelands won by a score of 7 to 1. The Moss Point Giants have a first-class club this season.

KID HARDIN AFTER FIGHTERS.

Kid Hardin, of the Owl Athletic Club, Indianapolis, went four fast rounds with the Cave Wonder, March 22, at the Dillon Club, last week. The Kid will meet any 110-pounder in the country. Address 416 North Senate avenue, Indianapolis. Old Phone, Main 4382.

CHICAGO OUTLAWS PLAY MONARCHS TODAY.

Will Play Fort Worth on May 7.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 28.—The Chicago Outlaws will play the Monarchs here Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30, and then the Monarchs will be at leisure until they start fir Texas. They open at Ft. Worth, Tex., May 2.

WACO TEAM FACES A DEFEAT.

Dallas Giants Do Not Let Them Score.

DALLAS, Tex., April 28.—Waco Baseball Club played the Dallas Black Giants last Saturday, Sunday and Monday. In the first game the Giants succeeded in defeating the Waco club by a score of 8 to 0. From start to finish the Giants played an extra good game.

CHARLEY WHITE TO BE REFEREE.

New York Man, It Is Said, Will Be Selected to Referee the Great Battle of July 4.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 28.—Charles White of New York will be the referee when Jack Johnson and Jim Jeffries come together in the ring at Emerville on July 4.

This information is given out by a prominent fight promoter here and comes direct from the lips of James J. Jeffries. The information was not intended for publication, but it leaked out and when confronted the promoter told all he knew.

It is said that White is Jeffries' choice and that he was agreed upin when the men signed articles in Hoboken in ecember. The name of White will be kept under cover until the very last.

It is the plan of the promoters that Jeff and Johnson should disagree over the selection of a third man on May 4, Johnson holding lut for Jack Welch, with Jeffries fighting for Eddie Smith of Oakland. Finally a compromise will be effected, and White will be named.

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LANGFORD TRAINING FOR KETCHEL BOUT.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 29.—Sam Langford, the Negro middleweight champion, arrived here with his manager, Joe Woodman ,to finish his training for his match with Ketchel, and will probably make his headquarters in Merchantville, N. J. Langford liiks to be in good shape, and says he feels confident of coming out of the ring of the National Athletic Club a winner on April 27.

MEMPHIS TIGERS IN FORM.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 10.—In an exciting and well-played game tiday a great crowd saw the colored club reverse the score of Saturday's game against the Cuban Stars of Havana, Cuba, winning 6 to 2. The Cubans are among the world's best ball players, and although they lost Sunday's game, they kept the great throng continually off its feet with their grand style and spectacular plays. Score:

Memphis Tigers	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	*	—6
Cuban Star	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—2

Hits—Tigers, 10; Cuban Stars, 5. Errors—Tigers, 2; Cuban Stars, 3.

Batteries—Gilliard and Johnsin; Gonzales and Garcia.

JOE GANS GOES WEST IN SEARCH OF HEALTH.

The "Old Master" Has Given Up Fighting for the Rest Cure.

Joe Gans, the "old master," has given up the idea of ever fighting again and has gone ti the coast on a hunt for better health. The ex-lightweight champion left his home in Baltimore last week and said he was going to beat it West as soon as possible. Gans looked to be anything but in the best of health, and had been advised to get out of this climate as quickly as possible. A year agi the principal dailies of the country had it that Gans was consumptive and could not last over a couple of months.

LELAND JOINS HIS CLUB.

Mr. Frank Leland left some time ago to watch the preliminary work of his team, which will represent Chicago in the City League. Leland writes from Moss Piint, Miss., that the boys are working fine and have made such a deep impression throughout the South that there is no doubt but that a valuable field of endeavor has been unearthed.

FRANK C. LELAND.

TAYLOR HEADS WEST BADEN SPRUDELS.

Former Manager of Birmingham, Ala., Giants in Indiana.

WEST BADEN, Ind., April 28.—C. J. Taylor of the famous Taylor brothers of baseball fame and former manager of the Birmingham (Ala.) Giants, has taken charge of the West Baden Sprudels for the season and the former members of the Alabama team are with him. His team has already played six games with the French Lick Plutos, winning four and lising two games.

"THE FREEMAN is truly the greatest friend the Negro baseball player has," said Mr. Taylor, "and, believe me, we appreciate it a great deal more than you really believe and yet not as much as we ought to. Everybody here and also at French Lick speaks in praise of your great edition of April 16. It was grand."

VICTOR LINDSEY WILL GO EARLY TO SEE FIGHT.

"If You Want to Win Just Bet on Johnson."

Special to THE FREEMAN.

SHERMAN, Tex., April 29.—S. Victor Lindsey left today on a special standard sleeper fir San Francisco, Cal., to witness the big Johnson-Jeffries fight. He was accompanied by a party of thirty of his closest friends. Mr. Lindsey is a personal friend of the champion and declares he is the best man that ever entered a prize ring to do battle. He is certain that Jeffries cannot stay over eighteen rounds with the champion, as he will be at the mercy of Johnsin afterwards.

"Jeff is like all other has-beens," says Lindsey, "he cannot come back, and even if he could, he lacks the ability and science and everything a man needs. If you Jeffries people have any money you would like to lose place it on Jeffries, and if you want to win place it on the black brither of Galveston, Tex."

STANLEY KETCHEL REFUSES LANGFORD.

Will Not Fight Sam Twenty Rounds. San Francisco Sports Roast Him.

By JOHN L. FOOTSLUG.

The value of managerial influence was never more plainly evidenced than in the case of Stanley Ketchel, who is being "roasted" in San Francisci because he has refused to sign articles for a twenty-round fight with Sam Langford, giving as a reason that the coming six-round bout in Philadelphia on April 27 must be decided first. From all accounts Ketchell has lost favor in California, where he was once regarded as a world beater.

He was then under Willus Britt's management and thriugh the latter's influence was made to show a willingness to fight anybody, regardless of weight and inches, and also won fame by displaying remarkable gameness in long-drawn-out encounters. But Ketchell's failure to stop Papke in twenty rounds and his weak fight against Jack Johnson opened the eyes of Califirnia experts, who now insist that the once formidable Michigan pugilist is nothing more than an exploded phenomenon.

Ketchell received an offer of a $10,000 guarantee not long ago to meet Langfird in 'Frisco during the week of the Jeffries-Johnson affair. Langford already had accepted the proposition and saw no reason why Ketchell should not attach his signature to the articles. But Ketchell, it seems, sent wird to the promoters that he could not think of tackling Langford in a fight that involved so much wear and tear. In a word, the Michigan fighter showed that he did not care to spend a month or more in strict training. Because of this lack of energy, therefore, Ketchell is roundly scored in the coast by persons who say he is afraid to take chances in a bout of more than six rounds and who predict that unless he is absolutely fit Langford will make short work of him when they come together in Quakertown.

Langford meanwhile has made a pronunced hit at the Golden Gate and is regarded as the logical opponent of Jack Johnson, providing, of course, the latter should happen to defeat Jeffries. In that event Langford would promptly challenge Johnson to a fight for $10,000 a side and would immediately post that amount to bind a match. But Langford does not believe he will ever have a crack at Johnson for the heavyweight championship because he feels confident that Jeffries will win the big fight. In expressing this belief Langford says Johnson lacks real gameness, that if Jeff is fit and can hit like he used to the Negro champion will quit under fire. He insists that no matter how clever Johnson's defense may prove, Jeffries with his tremendous punches will literally beat down the big black's guard and hammer him into a state of submission with blows in the body. If Jeffries wins Langford says he will not challenge him, for he declares he would have no chance to whip the boilermaker. But, on the other hand, if Johnson succeeds, the Boston slugger will hound him into a match—which he has been anxiius to secure for several years.

SEMI-PRO. BASEBALL SEASON OPEN IN CHICAGO.

Colored Clubs Main Factor Upon Which Dispute Between City League and Park Owners Will Be Settled.

By DAVID WYATT.

Weather permitting, the semi-pro. baseball lid will be thrown off for a genuine opening Sunday. By this time all clubs who are registered with the City League, Intercity and Park Owners' Association will have their plans all perfected and the 1910 season will be on in full bloom. Sunday, April 24, had been announced as the opening, but considering the fact that two if our leading colored clubs are still touring in the Southland, we cannot consider the opening complete.

The Illinois Giants, who are members of the Intercity and Park Owners' Association, will pull off an ante-schedule contest with "Jiggs" Donohue's Red Sox in the City League, while the Chicago Union Giants will iccupy the Logan Square Park with a setto with the Arions. Upon this date Leland's Chicago Giants will be exhibiting their skill before the natives of Memphis. The whereabouts of "Rube" Foster are at this time unknown, but he is probably safely anchored somewhere between Oklahoma and Texas.

A. W. McAllister, working in the interest of the Park Owners' Associatiin, has landed here with a Cuban team, which will be used as counter attraction to whatever will be used by the City League in the Cuban line of ball tossers. This latter Cuban team opened up at Gunthar's Park Saturday and Sunday with Mendez and Figgarolo carded as the battery. Quite a number of the parks have already started the Sunday morning contests, so it is probable that the Cubans will get all they want in the way of games.

The destinies of the semi-pri. game here depends altogether upon the attitude of the big colored clubs in the country. The City League claims to have an agreement with the Philadelphia Giants, Brooklyn Royal Giants and Nebraska Indians to play upon their circuit exclusively, while the Park Owners are making the same claim.

Reports from the East bring the information that the big clubs diwn that way have put the ban on "Rube" Foster and his band of ball tossers. Rube snatched all the best talent from the eastern clubs in order to fill up the gaps left vacant in the Leland Giants by the advent of the now famous Chicago Giants.

The successful raiding of clubs in the East by the Westerners has left the big colored clubs down there in such a weakened conditiin that it is feared that they will prove easy game for the clubs they will encounter out this way. This state of affairs is the proper thing to help Negro baseball. The search of the Easterners, as well as numerous Western clubs, for playing material will give employment to dozens of players heretofire unknown to the profession.

There is a demand throughout all sections of the country for good players and the magnates are offering goid salaries. This alone speaks volumes in favor of the success of the Negro in the game.

It is learned upon good authority that Sunday baseball will be tolerated in the East this season. In view of this fact a half a dozen new parks have sprung up, some suppirting colored clubs. Louis Mann, who went down in the crash through a tilt with the National Association of Colored Clubs some years ago, has renewed the lease on his plant and has put $400 in improvements upin the grounds, which he expects to be the home of some great colored aggregation. "Big" Smith, known wherever baseball is played, landed in Chicago on a scouting trip for material. After looking over the griund in "Chi." he left for Memphis to see the Chicago Giants' new club whence he expects to land whatever surplus material is available.

The baseball talent has been distributed in such a way that it looks as if the fight for the colored championship will be a hotly cintested affair. All clubs, with the exception of the Lelands and Chicago Giants are about evenly matched. The above named clubs, of course, have the call for first honors because of the fact that they have a monopoly on all the choice talent if the country. The above fact should bring out an elimination series of games amongst the small fry in order to get a suitable club to tackle the big fellows. The Illinois Giants will be in the field with a team which will surprise the confident ones. St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis and Kansas City all have strong clubs, not ti mention Cincinnati, Louisville and Memphis, all of whom will be represented, according to their managers, with teams fit to d obattle for a king's ransom.

COURT SAYS FRANK LELAND MUST FIND NEW NAME.

Rube Foster's Team Can Only Use the Name "Leland Giants."

By Staff Correspondent.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 28.—On Wednesday morning, April 20, the Leland Giants Baseball and Amusement Association, through the attorney and secretary, B. F. Mosely, won a signal victory in Judge Baldwin's court when the folliwing order was entered:

State of Illinois, county of Cook, ss.: Circuit Court of Cook county.

Leland Giants Baseball and Amusement Association vs. Frank Leland's Chicago Giants Baseball Associatiin, Frank Leland et al.

The motion of the complainant coming on to be heard upon the amended bill of complaint, and the answer of all the defendants, except the Chicago City League thereto, and it appearing from the answer of said defendants that they and each of them have, in and by their said answer, disclaimed any right ir intention to use the name "Leland Giants" as the name of their baseball club or of advertising or being known to the public or anyone by the name "Leland Giants," and said defendants averring and asserting in their answer that the legal and incorporated name of the defendant baseball club is the Frank Leland's Chicago Giants Baseball Club, and it is usually known by the name of "Chicago Giants," and that Frank C. Leland is the manager of said Chicago Giants, and it being the desire if all the parties hereto that there should be no confusion as to the name or names of the two different baseball clubs.

It is therefore ordered that hereafter no person or persons acting for the defendants shall in any wise use the name "Leland Giants" as the name of the defendant club ir feature the name "Leland" in connection therewith, etc.

This disposes of the bill filed to restrain the use of the words "Leland Giants" by others than the Leland Giants Baseball and Amusement Association and assures the public that there is but one Leland Giants baseball team, and that Andrew Foster is the captain and manager of that team, which will play ball at its new park, 69th and Halsted streets, beginning May 15.

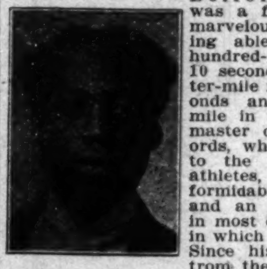
FIRST BASEMAN NEEDED.

By EMMETT BOWMAN of Royal Giants, New York City.

At present in colored baseball circles the aristocracy of the professional diamond, there is a great demand for first basemen. Every year sees a modification of the strength among the players by which those in a particular department seem to lose their effectiveness. Some seasons the catchers show the wear and tear of the game, other seasons infielders and outfielders; but today there is room on the first corner of the infield for a new quota of faces in our profession. Probably it will not be very long before young players will be trying to master the art of playing the first sack instead of other positions on a team, as many first basemen are fast fading aawy. A first baseman of today must be a quick thinker, strong thrower, and, moreover, possess plenty of nerve, is my opinion, as such stars as Ray Wilson, Mike Moore, Chappie Johnson, Harry Smith Jordan will soon have to give way to Father Time. Since I have taken up first base playing I am as pleased with the position as when I broke into baseball as a pitcher. Another beauty about it all is, a first baseman will as a rule outlast a pitcher in years of service.

HOOSIER POET HAS GREAT ATHLETIC RECORD.

Was a Foot Racer Who Could Do a Hundred Yards in 10 Seconds.



Perhaps it will be interesting to the readers of this column to know that some years ago our colored Hoosier poet, Aaron Belford Thompson, was a foot racer of marvelous ability, being able to do the hundred-yard dash in 10 seconds, the quarter-mile in 49 1-2 seconds and the half-mile in 1:54. Being master of these records, which are close to the world's best athletes, made him a formidable opponent and an easy winner in most every contest in which he competed. Since his retirement from the cinder path some of his particular friends, knowing his keen foresignt in athletic games and his present ability as a poet, have requested him to write a poem on the coming Johnson-Jeffries fight. Mr. Thompson responded with the following poem entitled, "On the Fourth of July":

The world is excited o'er the great coming fight
'Twixt Jack, the black champion, and Jeffries, the white;
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.

For Johnson and Jeffries are both powerful men,
At their very best feats in battles ne'er been;
And I believe that the sports are predicting it right
That the coming event will be a great fight.
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.

Old Glory shall float with her colors unfurled
To welcome the sports from all over the world—
Lords, squires and great nobles, the rich millionaire,
And cowboys and miners, they all will be there,
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.

Perhaps it may be in the very first round
That one of the men in defeat will go down;
The fight may be stopped by men of the law;
It may go the limit and then be a draw.
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.

'Tis stated by Jeff, and thousands have hopes,
That he'll knock the black champion over the ropes.
In this mad, desperate rush Jeff may strike a rut
And be floored for the count by a stiff uppercut.
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.

Then Johnson may play too long with his man,
By a chance blow from Jeff be sent to "dreamland."
Then Jeffries' long absence from out the prize ring
May prove to the world he's not the "real thing."
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.

Now, who is the man that will land on his back?
It may be white Jim, and it may be black Jack.
Three cheers to the winner, no matter which man,
For each is an heir to America's land.
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.
There'll be cheering and tossing of hats in the air,
And shouts of great joy and groans of despair.
High praise to the winner o'er the wide world shall fly.
We'll know all about it on the Fourth of July.

To you, jolly sports, is a word I must say,
Your money's not safe should yiu bet either way;
For thousands on thousands could either man make
Should he sell out his chances and lose through a fake.
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
We'll know all abiut it on the Fourth of July.

I say, in conclusion, let the battle be pair,
And let everything be done on the square,
With fair play alike to the champion men,
And the best of the two, I say, let him win.
To pick out the winner 'tis puzzling to try.
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Rye, 100 proof	3.70	5.55	7.40	10.50	3.50	6.75
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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Eubanks, last week, a girl.

Mrs. Lulu Davis is spending a few days with relatives at Monrovia.

Miss Mattie Steele spent a few days at Columbus, O., this week.

Prof. W. B. T. Williams of Hampton Institute was in the city this week.

Rev. Levi Christy of Jacksonville, Ill., was in the city this week on business.

Mr. T. I. Brown is in Denver, Colo., this week in the interest of the Sea Bird Mining Company.

Mr. Haberstron of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will speak at St. Philips Episcopal church Sunday at 3:45.

Rev. J. H. Manley, P. E., will preach at Jones Tabernacle Sunday morning and Sunday night. All persons invited.

Owing to the serious illness of the daughter of Rev. H. W. Tate the moving of the family to this city has been delayed.

Miss Luella Hibbitts, lady attendant for C. M. C. Willis, the undertaker, was in Lafayette Tuesday of last week on business.

Messrs. James Glenn and John Wills entertained at dinner Sunday at their home in honor of Rev. H. W. Tate and George L. Knox.

Mrs. E. R. Gaddie of New Albany was in the city Sunda yto attend the second meeting of the Endowment Board of the Calanthe Courts.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wilson of Chicago have returned home after a pleasant visit with their sister, Mrs. W. G. Smith, in W. 27th street.

Master J. Edward Thompson, Miss Mabel Smith and little Lottie B. Turnly of Chicago are the guests of Mrs. Lue Thompson in W. North street.

Mrs. Sadie B. Dungey, G. W. C. of the Calanthe Courts of the State of Indiana, was in ..oblesville and Terre Haute this week on business.

Mr. Samuel Crawford, a well-known hotel man of Minneapolis, Minn., departed this life Tuesday evening, April 19, and was brought here for burial. His widow susvives him.

Mrs. Mary E. Washington, State Grand Lecturer of the Indiana Calanthe Courts, was in the city Sunday and delivered the annual lecture to the five Calanthe Courts of the city.

Clifford Caine, well known as a dance promoter hereabouts, is spending the summer in Detroit, Mich., where he says he reads The Freeman regularly and is having a good time.

Billy Brack returned to the city Wednesday, after spending ten days at French Lick, Ind., en route to Cleveland, O., his native heath. Billy says the boys were a little hard on him during his stay, but believes it was not for the worst.

The funeral of Mrs. Roxie Dixon was held at Bethel A. M. E. Church Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Dixon had been ill for several months. She was a member of the Sisters of Charity and a prominent member of the Woman's Club. Her husband, son William Dixon, Jr., a daughter, Mrs. Druetta Jackson, and other relatives survive her.

SIMPSON M. E. CHURCH.

Regular services Sunday. Last Sunday Rev. Tate delivered two inspiring and instructive sermons. The Brotherhood will meet Wednesday night; George L. Knox, president; Amos Bybee, secretary. All members are requested to be present. Business of importance.

TERRELL-HEAD WEDDING.

One of the prettiest little home weddings that has occurred this season in this city was that of Mr. Steven Terrell and Miss Lady Head, at 527 West Eleventh street, last Wednesday night, before a number of immediate friends. The Rev. G. W. Ward, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, united the couple. Mr. Thomas Crenshaw acted as best man and Miss McCann was the bridesmaid.

ALLEN'S CHAPEL A. M. E. CHURCH.

Third quarterly meeting. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. by Rev. Chas. Hunter. At 3 p. m. by Rev. H. W. Tate of Simpson chapel, followed by communion. Sabbath-school at 1 p. m. A. C. E. at 7 p. m. All are welcome. Rev. Beo. C. Sampson, D. D., pastor.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The regular meeting and election of officers will be held in the association rooms on next Thursday evening at 8:30 p. m. Every member of the Y. M. C. A. should be present.

The Y. M. C. A. "Forum" is attracting a great deal of attention among the young men and a good attendance is being had. Every Sunday from 3 to 4 o'clocq they are in session. Come, and if you like it, come again.

The Glee Club rehearsals are held every Wednesday at 8 p. m. Orchestra Tuesdays at 8 p. m. Gymnasium classes Monday and Friday. Bible classes Sunday at 8 a. m., Tuesday at 7 p. m.

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Sunday is our third quarterly meeting. Services commence with the early morning prayer meeting at 5:30. Dr. J. H. Manley will preach at 10:45, at which service the Holy Communion will be celebrated. Sunday-school session at 12:45. At 3 p. m. a union revival service for men only will be held in the auditorium. The Woman's Undenominational prayer meeting will meet at the same hour in the vestry, led by Mrs. Anna VanMeter. The men's meeting will be addressed by Rev. Callis; subject, "The Lap of Delilah, or Every Man a Sampson." The devotionals for this meeting will be conducted by Rev. D. F. White. The music will be in charge of Prof. Robert Austin and the Y. M. C. A. Glee Club. Bring the Revival Power Song Book with you. In the evening the pastor's subject will be "The Ten Virgins."

"BIG" JIM JOHNSON SPENDS A DAY HERE

Well-Known Umpire Comes to Talk Baseball Matters Over.

James Kyeon Johnson, right-hand man and adviser of Mr. Edward Ballard, the well-known sportsman of West Baden, Ind., as well as the official umpire of the great resort, was in the city Tuesday, handing out some of the latest "dope" on baseball as well as renewing old acquaintances here. Johnson is a familiar character in sporting circles, being well acquainted with all forms of sport, few men being better acquainted with sporting history.

He is entertaining, having a clever story to relate to his friends at all times. While here he was a caller at this office.

SISTER OF WILLIAM BROWN PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Mary E. Lee Dies After a Short Illness.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Lee was held at the Calvary Baptist church, Boston, Mass., last Wednesday afternoon, April 13. Mrs. Lee was the sister of Mr. William L. Brown, well known in this city as former head waiter of the Columbia Club, and now in charge of the dining room of the Tod House, Youngstown, O.

Mrs. Lee was the oldest daughter of Mr. Joel T. and Carrie Brown. She was born in Oxford, N. C., and in early childhood removed to Boston, Mass., where her people were soon known as one among Boston's most substantial and respected families.

THE ALPHA HOME ASSOCIATION.

The Alpha Home Association wishes to express through the columns of your paper its sincere thanks and appreciation to the lodges, clubs, churches, individuals and the public in general for all past help and donations and to especially mention Mrs. Maude Shelton, who collected for the Home while on the road with her husband $23.15, C. M. C. Willis, woh donated carriages and wagons for the removal of the inmates to comfortable quarters and rendered such efficient aid and help during the fire. The management of the Lincoln Hospital, Dr. Ward's Sanitarium and Dr. and Mrs. Brown, who have given temporary quarters to the sick; Rev. Sampson for collection of funds, and the purchase of a horse for the Alpha Home; the Hill Brothers' Columbia Theater contributing every other Sunday. Again we thank you and ask all interested in the aged women of our race to help us rebuild for them a comfortable home.

The newly elected officers of the Alpha Home Association for the ensuing year are:

Mrs. Bettie Wilks, superintendent, 16 Fair block.

Mrs. Alice Frazier, assistant superintendent.

Mrs. Laura B. Davis, recording secretary.

Advisory Board—Mrs. Lizzie Johnson, chairman; Mrs. Anna Anderson, Rev. B. J. Prince, Rev. H. J. Callis, Rev. W. H. Tate.

Investigating Comittee—Mrs. Sarah Howard, Mrs. B. J. Prince, Mrs. Kittie Minter.

Sewing Committee—Mrs. Hannah Kinkade, Mrs. Addie Howard, Mrs. Sylvia Courtney, Mrs. Mary Jackson.

The several committees appointed to wait upon the public for donations are as follows:

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Book 3—Mrs. Susie Donald, Mrs. Angie Covington.

Book 4—Mrs. Ida Bryant, Mrs. Webb McCaul.

Book 5—Mrs. B. J. Prince, Mrs. Etta Howard.

Book 6—Mrs. Emma Parks, Mrs. Kittie Minter.

Book 7—Mrs. Susie Williams, Mrs. Louisa Goins, Mrs. Laura Davis.

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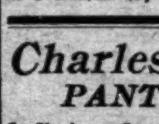

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